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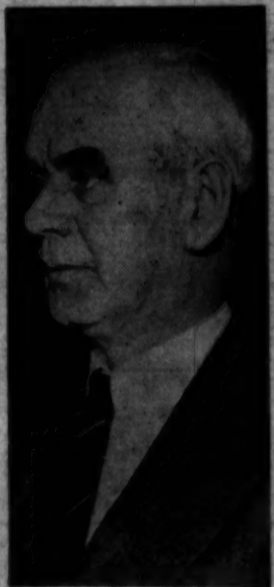
CIO Board Cheers Murray Attack on Lewis Defeatism

By Sig. Wenger
(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, May 14.—Philip Murray got a standing, cheering ovation tonight after delivering a bitter denunciation against John L. Lewis' defeatist policies and declaring full support of President Roosevelt before an enlarged CIO National Executive Board, it was learned here tonight.

More than 200 CIO leaders present at the meeting rallied to their chief's fighting win-the-war address and they were heard enthusiastically discussing tonight the main six-point resolution proposing a program "designed to furnish complete support to the objectives of our Commander-in-Chief."

To resolution termed support of these objectives as meeting the "realistic needs of our nation in



PHILIP MURRAY

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conducting an effective offensive on our domestic front."

The draft resolution submitted by the CIO Executive Officers reiterates the CIO's no strike pledge and declares it will be faithfully maintained, "because the workers are determined in this life and death struggle that they shall do all within their power to assure the maximum production of munitions of war to speed us toward victory. It calls upon the American people in the face of this pledge, to defeat the CIO Executive Board, demonstrating that Matthew Woll's pro-Lewis, anti-war, Red-baiting tirades do not express the sentiments of AFL workers."

The draft statement re-emphasizes the CIO's acceptance of wage stabilization "as a part of the indivisible national economic stabilization program." Pointing to the weaknesses and chaos created by wage inequalities and discriminations, it declares that the recent interpretation of Mr. Byrnes "recognizes the basic need of making wage adjustments to meet inequities and to aid in the prosecution of the war." It calls upon the President to remove the remaining restrictions to correct inequalities still hampering the NLRB, "which has firmly proven its importance in the effective prosecution of the war."

ROLL-BACK DEMAND
Point three calls for complete and immediate roll-back of prices to the September, 1942 level "through the aid of subsidies," effective enforcement of price ceilings, grade labeling and comprehensive rationing. The \$25,000 limit on net annual incomes is emphatically demanded. The fifth point covers "equitable and just tax measures," including opposition to the Ruml plan and elimination of all war profits "above the 1939 peace-time level."

The final section, dealing with

Union's \$1,000 Aids Loyalists

The United Office and Professional Workers of America yesterday joined the thousands of New Yorkers who are making contributions today to the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee's Tag Day, with a \$1,000 contribution to the Committee, made through the CIO War Chest.

In a letter addressed to the Committee, Evelyn Adler, Director of War Activities of the United Professional and Office Workers of America said:

"Our union was indeed glad to learn of the State Department announcement that 700 to 1,000 Spanish Republican refugees will soon arrive in Mexico.

"We know that these men will enter the country after years in concentration camps with no means of support other than that provided voluntarily by Americans who understand the great contribution they have made to the fight against fascism."

BARBERS BACK TAG DAY
At the same time, a meeting of the Barbers and Beauty Culturists of America, CIO, gave their wholehearted endorsement to the Tag Day and pledged the support of the union members.

Senate Passes Ruml Tax Grab

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, May 14.—In a last-minute rush, the Senate tonight gave its approval to the scandalous Ruml tax grab by a vote of 49-30.

By this act, the Senate voted to let all taxpayers skip their 1943 income taxes including the very wealthy for whom the bill was really written.

The Ruml plan will cost the Government an estimated 10 billion dollars at a moment when it has asked for another 16 billion to finance the war. Senator Connally accurately characterized the Ruml bill when he said: "You are giving every millionaire a gift of \$80,000 to put his chauffeur on a pay-as-you-go basis."

Tax experts agree that the Ruml supporters will now try to load the taxes they evaded on the lower income groups.

Big Battles Loom, Says 'Red Star'

LONDON, May 14 (UP).—The Soviet Union believes that a savage and powerful German offensive is imminent on the Eastern Front, and is confident that it can stop and break it, Moscow dispatches said today.

Dispatches quoted Soviet sources as believing that the Germans intended to hit the Soviet line on a narrow front with massed tanks, under a cover of all the planes the German command could spare.

Red Star, the Soviet Army newspaper, quoted in a United Press dispatch, said that behind the relatively quiet lines north of the Kuban both sides were making preparations for the spring and summer campaign.

"The hour is drawing near for large-scale fighting in which great masses of troops will take part," Red Star said.

JUDGE FROM PAST
The character of the approaching battles is clear. We can judge not only from previous experience but from what is going on now front and rear. As before, the German generals place all their hope in armored and aerial forces.

"The winter campaign weakened the Germans, but we must not underestimate their strength. We must realize that the Germans can still attack with large armored spearheads. We must be prepared for mass attacks by tanks and mechanized units supported by other formations. We possess every means not only to hold the enemy but to defeat him."

The Soviet Union's fierce and desperately opposed offensive against the German-Rumanian bridgehead in the Kuban, and the intense if small scale Red Army attacks in the Elshchansk sector of the Donets, have continued to feature present action on the eastern front, though there were vigorous scouting and artillery actions from the Smolensk area northward to Leningrad.

The Friday noon Soviet communique, recorded here, said that Soviet guns in their bombardments had demolished dozens of enemy fortifications, blockhouses and pillboxes, and had destroyed five field guns, 13 motor trucks and an ammunition dump.

11 NAZI PLANES DOWNED
Eleven German planes were shot down over the Kuban front Thursday, the communique said.

The noon communique said that in the Lishchansk sector Soviet troops had improved their positions, and held their new ground.

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Down 16 Zeros In Solomons

WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—U. S. fliers have shot down 16 Zeros and probably destroyed two more in a furious air battle in the Solomons, the Navy announced today.

Five U. S. planes were lost, but two of the pilots were saved. The battle took place near the Russell Islands, just northwest of Guadalcanal, on May 13 (Island Time).

Nazis Kill 40,000 Jews In 10 Day Warsaw Battle

LONDON, May 14 (UP).—The entire ghetto at Warsaw, containing 40,000 Jews, has been liquidated after a 10-day battle against Nazi hordes, Rabbi Irving Miller told a press conference today on the basis of reports from Polish sources.

Nazis rolled through the streets in giant tanks, leveling stores and houses and silencing the feeble guns of the defenders, in the final stage of extermination, the Rabbi said in his information showed.

"Every living soul was either butchered or uprooted and moved to some other part of the country," he added.

Strike Wave Sweeps Holland

BERNE, May 14 (ICN).—It has been learned here that a leaflet issued by the headquarters of the Liberation Army on behalf of the Dutch Government in Great Britain is being widely circulated in Holland. The leaflet calls on the people to resist the decree of the occupation authorities ordering ex-soldiers and officers of the Dutch army to return to war prisoner camps.

"Holland is fighting," reads the leaflet. "The signal has been given. The watchword for Holland is: Strikes, down tools! Everyone stays at home. No one appears on the street. All the Netherlands know their duty and express solidarity with the men of our army, who are duty bound to shirk the German order."

The response of the Dutch people to this watchword is revealed by reports of a growing strike wave throughout the country. The Arnhem strike was a general strike. The workers sank a vessel under construction in the shipyard. In Utrecht a strike was declared in the central administration of the railways.

Strikes have also occurred at the Werkspoor machinery plant and the enterprises of Denka Rubro. In Zwoll, in the textile district of Twente and in the Limburg province, and particularly in the mining district, the strikes were general.

In Brabant the picture was the same as in Limburg. A general strike has also taken place in Endhoven.

Nazi Slavers Will Be Punished--Molotov

Not only Nazi government officials but individuals responsible for the inhuman slave exploitation of Soviet citizens will be held accountable by the Soviet government and brought to a reckoning, Soviet Foreign Commissar Molotov declares in a note presented to all foreign ambassadors and ministers from countries represented in Moscow.

The text of the Molotov note, just released by Tass, Soviet news agency, reveals that fascist authorities in keeping with the plans and instructions of the Hitler command, everywhere pillaged, tortured and killed Soviet citizens, carried out wholesale destruction and drove hundreds of thousands of Soviet citizens into German slavery.

"Documents captured by the Red Army in the headquarters of routed German fascist troops and also accounts and letters of German soldiers, officers and their relatives, reveal that the shipment of many hundreds of thousands of Soviet citizens into slavery, their purchase and exchange at special slave markets in Germany has become a system regulated by the orders and instructions of the German government," says the note.

A huge apparatus of officials was established to carry the slave market out. It explains, citing a March 21 order by which Hitler appointed Gauleiter Fritz Saukel "Chief Commissioner of Labor Power."

"VOLUNTARY" LABOR
"Saukel's agents set about registering all the able-bodied population in the occupied districts of the USSR," Molotov states. "The registered citizens were proposed to 'voluntarily' go to work in Germany."

"But since there were hardly any volunteers, the Germans gave orders to use force. As far back as Jan. 26, 1942, the 'Economic Staff of the German Command in the East' in secret instructions No. BE 5810-42 demanded:

"If the number of volunteers does not meet with expectations, the most stringent measures must be applied in accordance with orders during recruitment."

There is literally not one Soviet town captured by the Germans from which great numbers of people have not been driven into slavery.

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Battle Going 'Very Well' for Our Side, Sec'y Knox Discloses

WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—The American offensive to expel the Japanese from Attu "is going very satisfactorily," Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox said today.

He also disclosed that the action was a joint Army-Navy operation. "The Navy supplied the ships," he said. "The attacking forces are army men."

The Secretary declined to give further details. He agreed, however, that the move against Attu, 172 nautical miles west of the strongly-held Japanese base at Kiska, was of great strategic importance.

"That is obvious to anyone who looks at a map," he said.

He revealed the favorable progress of the battle at a press conference a few hours after the Navy announced that U. S. forces had landed on the bleak island Tuesday.

Knox filled in some of the details that had been lacking in the earlier announcement, but beyond saying that the struggle was progressing favorably he declined to predict when the battle of Attu would be successfully concluded.

"I'm not venturing any predictions about the time it will take," he said.

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Knox declined to reveal whether the landing was covered by planes and surface craft bombardment, saying: "I don't want to give out any details until the operation is completed." Axis reports said the attack opened with a violent bombardment and aerial attacks by U. S. forces.

WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—American forces launching their drive to throw the Japanese off American soil and regain valuable bases from which to strike at Tokyo have landed on Attu, westernmost of the Aleutians island chain, and engaged the enemy, the Navy announced today.

The Navy report was announced eight hours after Tokyo had broadcast that "crack American forces" had stormed ashore on the bleak fog-shrouded island and asserted that a "fierce battle" was in progress. The landing was made Tuesday.

The 36-word communique gave no details. It said our forces now were engaged with the Japanese forces "on the island," and added that "details of the operation will be revealed when the situation clarifies."

KISKA BOMBED
The Americans hit first at Attu instead of the stronger outpost of Kiska 172 miles to the east. All signs had pointed to Kiska inasmuch as it has been given a terrific aerial pounding since March 1.

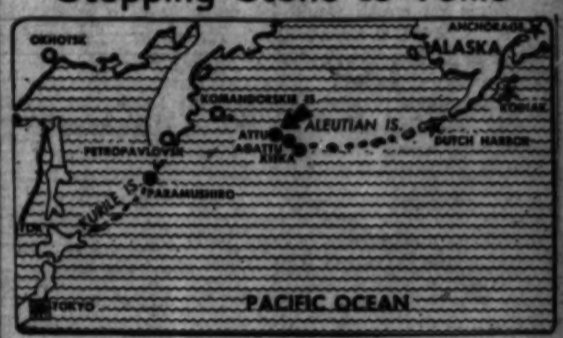
Even while the Attu struggle was raging Kiska was being subjected to more pounding as were Japanese bastions in the far-away Solomons. A second Navy communique reported American fliers hit Kiska twice on Thursday bringing to 223 the number of attacks against that enemy stronghold.

In the Solomons American fighters fought a big air battle off the Russell Islands yesterday (Solomons time) with 25 zeros. They definitely shot down 16 enemy planes and probably destroyed two others. Five American planes were lost but two of the pilots were saved.

This raised to a certain 973 the number of Japanese planes destroyed in the Solomons since last August 7.

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Stepping Stone to Tokio



A strong American naval and army force invaded the strategic Attu Island in the Aleutians and Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox yesterday disclosed that the fierce battle is going very well for the Yanks. U. S. forces now hold Amchitka, which is 43 miles from Kiska. Attu is 175 miles from Kiska.

England Base for Attack--Churchill

WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—British Prime Minister Winston Churchill said today that the United Nations have strong armies assembled in England, ready for the approaching "death grapple" with the Axis powers on the European continent.

In a radio message directed to England on the third anniversary of the founding of the British Home Guard, Prime Minister Churchill said he and President Roosevelt are now engaged with military experts in shaping plans for the destruction of the Axis, and made it clear that the invasion of Europe was the first order of business for the United Nations.

Churchill, whose speech also was broadcast nationally in the U. S., said he and the President were looking well into the future, and that "it is no good having one march ahead laid out."

"March after march must be planned as far as human eye can see. Design and forethought must be our guides and heralds," he said. "We owe it to the fighting troops. We owe it to the vast communities we are leading out of the dark places; we owe it to heroic Russia, to long-tormented China; we owe it to the captive and enslaved nations who beckon us on through their prison bars."

MESSAGE TO CHIANG
Before his address, the White House had disclosed a message dispatched by the Prime Minister in which he promised Chinese Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek that the United Nations would free Chinese soil of the Japanese invader.

In his speech to his homeland Churchill made clear that the attention of Allied leaders still was strongly focused on the European theater where Allied invasion of the continent is believed imminent. "At present we have strong armies in Great Britain and it is the assembly base for the United States armies of liberation coming across the broad Atlantic," he said. "But

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Argentine President Is Hitler's 'Sergeant,' Says Labarca

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Carlos Contreras Labarca, secretary of the Communist Party of Chile, in a press interview today emphasized that democratic forces throughout Latin America have a great responsibility to help defeat President Castillo of Argentina, whom he described as "Hitler's sergeant."

He said that support for the democratic elements in Argentina from the anti-fascist forces in other countries will have a "decided effect" on the elections.

Labarca disclosed the Latin American situation at a press conference which he conducted during a reception given in his honor at the Chilean Embassy.

The dynamic Latin-American Communist leader is a member of the Chilean Senate and vice-president of the Democratic Alliance of Chile which represents all the anti-fascist parties in the country.

He said that the peoples of Latin America are "anxious to do all they can to defeat the Axis." He based this observation on what he saw not only in Chile but also in Mexico and Cuba on his way to the United States.

But, he declared, "conditions in some countries are making it difficult for the people to organize effectively against the Axis."

ALBIZU CAMPOS
Among the continued obstacles to complete anti-fascist unity of the people of Latin America he cited the continued imprisonment of Albizu Campos, the Puerto Rican leader, in the United States, the imprisonment of Luis Carlos Prestes in Brazil and the suppression of the labor movement in Bolivia.

Another important problem facing the people of Latin America, he said, is the need to "combat the

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Who Will Move Next?

By a Veteran Commander

EVEN discounting the reliability of the flood of rumors about mass unrest and revolts in Europe and the crisis of Fascism in Italy, with a bevy of old "museum" marshals being dragged out of moth-balls by Mussolini to form a supreme defense council, there is little doubt that Festung Europa is being rocked by convulsions, set off by the Allied victory in Africa.

On the War Fronts

Under such conditions, the German General Staff can but follow the example of that proverbial commander who said: "My situation is terrible. All I can do is attack." (This was ascribed to Foch, Grand Duke Nicholas of Russia and a number of other famous captains, but nobody really knows who said it first.)

If the Germans act according to the above dictum, they will attack in the East, throwing Italy "to the wolves." They still can hope to deliver a paralyzing blow to the Red Army before the Allies have had time to absorb Italy, reach the mountain barrier of Southern Europe and begin gnawing at the Festung itself.

In other words they figure on the Mediterranean and the two "appendices" of Europe (Italy and the Balkans) as shock absorbers and delaying devices which will give them, say, two or three months.

The German large scale raid on Latakia, south of Voronezh might be the harbinger of a blow against the Soviet Union which might be delivered exactly at the same spot where it was delivered last year—in the Lissichansk sector. Only this time it would come more than a month earlier.

Such an attack would be probably of a concentrated type, on a narrow front. The center of gravity could be at Lissichansk, with two follow-up blows from Orel and from Stalino.

It is quite possible, on the other hand, that the Soviet High Command would beat the Germans to the draw and attack from Velikie Luki and from Kursk. The aerial action of the Soviet Air Force which for two weeks now has developed in a rough triangle with apexes at Nevel, Warsaw and Dnepropetrovsk, seems to indicate that something might be in the offing in the center where the terrain now is just about dry enough for tanks.

THE Allied air forces continue to hammer the Axis from two sides. Berlin was raided, among other targets in Germany, and the ports of Italy and Sicily are being pounded to a pulp.

IN the Pacific, the news has come through that our forces are attacking Attu island in the Aleutians (the source is a Japanese broadcast). This, if true, is part of the general offensive against Japanese island bases which started last fall and has yielded us so far Guadalcanal, the Russells, part of the Ellice Group and now, we hope, will yield the cleaning of Attu and later on of Kiska.

THE Japanese continue to attack in many sectors of the Central Front of China, but are meeting with staunch Chinese resistance and have not been able so far to make much headway. It looks like a fight for the occupation or, at least, devastation of China's "rice bowl" by the enemy.

Uruguay President Ok's Union Program

(Special to the Daily Worker)

HAVANA (By Mail).—The first steps taken by the administration of the recently elected President Juan A. Amézaga in Uruguay bear out the promise that he made before the election, namely, that he would continue the progressive policies of General Alfredo Baldomir.

These policies he interpreted to mean cooperation with the United Nations in his foreign policy and the maintenance of democratic liberties at home.

Dr. Amézaga was recently interviewed by a labor delegation composed of more than 50 leading trade unionists led by the general secretary of the Union General de Trabajadores, Enrique Rodríguez, who gave the president a broad thorough-going trade union memorandum.

The memorandum contained five main points:

1) The attitude of the working class on the bill granting wage increases; 2) suggested measures to curb the high cost of living; 3) a demand for guarantees for the right of assembly embodied in the Constitution, a right which has been ignored by the management of foreign-owned industrial enterprises, especially cold storage companies and public utilities; 4) an extension of old age pensions and paid vacations to those unions whose members still do not enjoy these privileges; and 5) immediate approval of the project for agrarian reform and establishment of the "Council for National Economy" law.

The President declared full sympathy with the entire trade union program.

On the question of the cost of living, he said it was necessary to take severe measures against the

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Toledano Urges Unions Rally to Argentine Labor

MEXICO CITY, May 14 (ALN).—Vicente Lombardo Toledano, president of the Confederation of Latin American Workers (CTAL), this week urged CTAL affiliates in fourteen Latin American nations, urging them "to call on the trade unions of Latin America and the United States" to express their solidarity with the pro-democratic people of Argentina on May 25, the Argentine national holiday.

"This date," Toledano's message said, "should be made the occasion for great public demonstrations and special editions of labor papers, supporting the labor and national unity movement of the Argentines, persecuted by the pro-fascist clique of President Castillo and Foreign Minister Ruiz Guinazu."

"Thus the national holiday of Argentina will be converted into a demonstration of continental solidarity with the great people of our sister republic to the south, and will contribute to the unity of the anti-fascist struggle on the whole American continent." Preparations are underway for a mass meeting in Mexico City, May 25, under the auspices of the Confederation of Mexican Workers.

WLB Orders Opening of Coal Negotiations

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trial and a rationing program to meet the miners' special problems. The directive ordered that the mines be kept in operation under the contract which expired March 31 and said that any new agreement would provide that wage adjustments be retroactive to that date.

Next Tuesday midnight is the expiration time of the 15-day truce. Noting that the case was certified to the board without agreement on a single issue, the WLB said that the negotiators' "adamant" position seemed to have precluded any attempt at real collective bargaining as to the numerous items on which collective bargaining could properly have taken place without violating the national wage stabilization program.

"In this case the board is impressed with the number of issues on which the parties should have been able to reach an agreement by the ordinary procedure of collective bargaining," the directive said.

Discussing the six-day week the board noted that price adjustments had been permitted to cover the cost of overtime pay on the sixth day of operation and said that wartime demands for more than 600,000 tons of coal this year coupled with a growing shortage of miners should enable the negotiators to develop a "mutually satisfactory plan by which the benefits of the six day week could be assured to the miners."

10 DAY PERIOD

The board asked the negotiators to report back within ten days and said there was "more than ample room for collective bargaining, including bargaining on some issues which may reasonably produce a greater income for the mine workers without prejudicing the program which the government has adopted in time of war for the economic protection of the nation."

The board said it was ordering resumption of negotiations with a view to eliminating or at least narrowing some or all of the differences.

Hitler's 'Total Mobilization'

Nazi Political Reserves Being Exhausted

(This is the third in a series of three articles.)

By Ackerman

Thus in 1937 German industry had 43,800 accidents resulting in permanent physical disability; and in 1940 this figure increased to 75,000. A similar sharp upward trend is registered in the number of fatal accidents. Official statistics put the daily number of accidents in the industrial enterprises of Hitler Germany at 5,500, including an average of 3,500 among women.

LOW 'SLAVE' PRODUCTION

The labor productivity of foreign workers averages 65 per cent of the German worker. And it will be hardly possible to squeeze a higher level of labor productivity from war invalids, old men and middle-aged women conscripted in accordance with the provisions of "total mobilization." Not without reason did the "Frankfurter Zeitung" complain on February 25 last that "it seems impossible to maintain the level of production with the new labor power, to say nothing of stepping it up."

To replenish his manpower losses at the front, to get the necessary cannon fodder, the gambler Hitler is forced to weaken the economic potential in the rear of his army. It may be confidently said that the process of internal exhaustion in the enemy camp is proceeding at an

accelerated pace. "Total mobilization" means a further considerable deterioration in the situation of the masses in Hitler Germany. The exploitation of the workers has reached its limit. Ley has stated that "those who work much must work still more." Goebbels promises longer hours. Simultaneously the Hitlerites are bringing brutal pressure to bear upon the workers to intensify their labor.

The so-called world outlook scale, according to which wages vary in accordance with political viewpoints and the sentiments of the workers, is being even more rigorously enforced. This means that the followers of the Fascist Party, spies and provocateurs will receive higher wages, whereas workers expressing the slightest dissatisfaction, if for some reason they do not land in a concentration camp, will receive far lower wages for equal work.

MORALE AT NEW LOW

The events on the Soviet-German Front and the "total mobilization" announced by the Hitlerites right after them could not but exert a negative influence on the morale of the German fascist rear. To broad sections of the German people the truth—and not the full truth at that—about the real situation on the Soviet-German Front came as a complete surprise. And whereas

among those closely associated with Hitler's system of execution and war this gave rise to a growing lust for destruction and murder, among other sections it strengthened pessimism and despair. All the three preceding years of the war did not cause such a process of deterioration of the morale and reserves in Hitler Germany as the Red Army's offensive during the winter of 1942-43.

The "total mobilization" now being enforced by the Hitlerites for replenishing their losses at the front is objectively producing new contradictions between the people and the fascist regime. This mobilization particularly hits those sections who have constituted the principal mass base of the Hitler regime—the petty bourgeoisie.

Secret resistance of petty owners to the liquidation of their enterprises, women's resistance to forced labor in the war factories are becoming widespread phenomena. The German fascist press abounds in numerous indications of such quiet sabotage.

March 17, 1943, the "Voelkischer Beobachter" wrote: "Among those summoned for registration one can see a mere 10 percent which show a readiness to fulfill their labor duty." The majority did not respond to the summonses to the labor exchange. In one day alone 269

Pravda Comments On Molotov Note

MOSCOW, May 14 (ICN).—The note by Vyacheslav Molotov, Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs, addressed to ministers and ambassadors of nations represented in Moscow, on the Nazi forced abduction and slavery of Soviet citizens, was called a political document of wide significance by Pravda, Soviet Communist Party organ in an editorial today.

Pravda, in citing Molotov's "grim indictment" declared that the "note most emphatically expresses the determination of the Soviet people to destroy not only the Hitlerite robber, slave-owning center, but also to take grim revenge on all German criminals."

"On the basis of numerous irrefutable facts, and on the basis of unquestionable documentary proof coming from the Germans themselves, the note exposes to the whole world the Hitlerite German state as a robber and slave-owning center. The note establishes with absolute exactness that the Hitlerite German state, by its monstrous crimes has ruled itself out from among the European civilized states," he editorial continues.

"Molotov's note is a grim indictment directed not only against the ruling Hitlerite clique, not only against the official executors of the brutal orders, but also against private persons, against those German men and women who buy people, who force people to work like slaves, who beat up people—knowing full well that they are committing a crime against all the standards of European laws and conscience."

"Molotov forcefully raises the question of the responsibility of all Germans implicated in restoring the infamous slave system. Molotov's note carries a serious warning to

definite groups of German people involved in the crimes of the Hitlerite gang. The Germans must know that violence against the Soviet people, that degradation of their dignity as human beings, that the beatings and tortures will not pass unpunished; also that the inhuman exploitation of slave labor will not remain unpunished."

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"The Red Army, liberating its native soil, is bringing salvation to the enslaved Soviet citizens. In its struggle it is maintaining the foundation of human dignity, the rights of man won over the centuries of the historical development of the peoples of Europe, and which were the pride of all progressive Europe. The slave-owners must be stridently punished so that the peoples of the world will firmly remember for always that among the monstrous crimes of the German fascist fiends, who insolently abuse the very conception of European culture, slavery occupied a most prominent place."

Uzbek Now One of Main Soviet Industrial Areas

MOSCOW, May 14 (ICN).—The remarkable industrial progress of Uzbekistan is due in great measure to the people's movement to help in the electrification of the country, according to Usman Yusupov, secretary of the Central Committee of the Uzbek Communist Party.

In the last few years, particularly during the war, the Uzbek Soviet Socialist Republic has become one of the country's most important industrial centers. Without detracting from the development of agriculture, industry has attained the stage where its share in the republic's national economy amounts to 75 per cent.

New branches of industry have been developed, of primary importance to the front. Nevertheless the limited sources of electricity hamper the full utilization of the present production capacities, despite the fact that the power stations built in the last three years resulted in doubling the supply of electricity.

Last January construction began on five hydroelectric stations, including the Parkhad station, which is to be one of the biggest in the Soviet Union. Three stations are scheduled to begin functioning this year, and two more in the second half of 1944.

The collective farmers of the Tashkent region are building the Bos-Bulak station, and the working people of the city of Tashkent have undertaken the construction of the Salar hydroelectric station. Every region, every district, every rural, Soviet or collective farm is responsible for a definite section of the site and for a definite volume of work for the duration of the construction.

On February 10th, 70,000 collective farmers, workers, engineers and technicians reported to the construction site of the Parkhad station. In two months the workers excavated over three million cubic meters of ground, laid about 12 miles of railway bed and about seven miles of track, equipped the construction site with telephone communications and built some seven miles of highways.

The overwhelming majority of collective farmers averaged 200 to 300 per cent of the daily production goals—a labor productivity such as has never been attained before on a mass construction job.

Soviet Gun Output For Planes Soars

MOSCOW, May 14 (ICN).—During the war the production of cannons and automatic firearms for Soviet aircraft and the Red Army has increased many times over. In the enterprises of Moscow and the Moscow region labor productivity has increased 37 per cent, stated the Assistant Peoples Commissar Novikov of the armaments industry, at a meeting of the capital's armaments workers.

The meeting was also addressed by the secretary of the Central Council of Soviet Trade Unions, Klavdia Nikolayeva, who noted the important role of youth and women in the armaments industry, the exceptional growth in inventiveness and rationalization and the sharp increase in the number of workers exceeding production norms.

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Such laconic reports may be read in the newspapers of Hitler Germany almost daily. The persecution of the anti-fascist vanguard is becoming more and more savage and frantic. If father or son is accused of a "crime against the state" the whole family is executed.

The "Frankfurter Zeitung" reported on February 15, 1943 that the family of a miner, Leis, from Moers in the Rhineland, consisting of a father, mother and four children, were executed because a son deserted to the Red Army and the father acted as "a Communist and enemy of the State."

Such cases are not isolated. Similar cases are frequently mentioned in letters from Hitler Germany to the front. Thus from one letter we learned that the family of a farmer, Joseph Reuter from Arnsdorf, Bavaria, had been destroyed, their farm burned and their land confiscated.

This mad terror is the most glaring indication that the longer the war lasts the greater the exhaustion not only of the man power and material resources but also the internal political reserves of Hitler fascism. The stronger the blows at the German fascist hordes at the front, the more decisively will Hitler's new military gambles be frustrated and the faster will this process of exhaustion proceed.

DEATH SENTENCES
Sentenced to death and executed for especially seditious speeches.

Nazi 'Order' In Yugoslavia



His right arm free to shoot, a Nazi soldier searches a Yugoslav peasant suspected of guerrilla activity. British airmen have been dropping arms to the Yugoslavs, the Nazis claim. The picture was received in the U. S. through a neutral channel.

A Rexist Reveals How Belgians Fight Nazis

MOSCOW, May 14 (ICN).—The Hitlerites marked the third anniversary of their invasion of Belgium (May 10) with new terrorist measures against Belgian patriots. The Swiss radio reports that four more Belgians have been sentenced to death on the charge of attempting to kill German soldiers.

Letters found on soldiers of the German army taken prisoner on the Eastern Front confirm the fact that Germans on occupied Belgian territory live in an atmosphere of extreme hostility.

"The population here doesn't look at us nor respect us," complains a soldier of the occupation troops, Otto Krause, in a letter to another soldier, Otto Maltzer (Field Post 46, 544).

"We are now stationed in a small Belgian town," writes a German AA gunner, Corporal Willi Semster to Private Alfred Meier (Field Post 43, 931). "Last night the British were over again and even dove down on our battery. Here it must be frankly said that the local inhabitants are a vile lot, whose provocative attitude towards us certainly does not entitle them to the protection of our AA guns."

This is how a certain Evelyne Tenevieri of Brussels describes, not without malicious irony, in a letter to her fiancé Paul de Paete, serving with the so-called Wallonian Legion, the last "dramatic" day of a detachment of Belgian hoodlums of the same legion in the Belgian capital before their dispatch to the Eastern Front.

THEIR PLANS

"On the eve of their departure the Legionnaires were to spend a night in the house of Rexist. Fortunately, however, the Germans foresaw that the house would be blown up and placed them instead in a barracks. Sure enough the whole house exploded during the night."

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what had happened they were simply astounded. "Finally the Legionnaires arrived at the Northern Station. But here again the Germans were wary. They said that if they would send off the men at the appointed time they would not arrive at their destination in full force. And the Legionnaires were detained until late at night."

"Their train was in the very center of the station. A crowd of students of course gathered with intention of giving the Legionnaires a good drubbing, and they certainly did. The students gave one of them a particularly hot time of it. After this small incident none of the Legionnaires dared show their noses out of the car. The train finally pulled out 'safely' under cover of darkness."

This letter of a Belgian fascist woman to her fiancé most strikingly illustrates the burning hatred of the Belgian patriots for the German invaders and their Belgian accomplices.

19 Clubs Go Over Top in YCL Recruiting

Nineteen Clubs in New York have completed or gone over the top in the current recruiting drive of the Young Communist League, the New York State Y. C. L. Committee announced yesterday. Competing fiercely for the \$35 circulating library prize which goes to the top branch and the banner for the runner-up, these clubs have hastened to make a showing before the drive ends on May 30.

The majority of clubs that have been successful are those in the two counties which have filled their quotas—Bronx and Queens. In Queens, for example, the Northern Boulevard Club in Corona with a quota of 25 recruited 38. South Jamaica almost doubled its quota of 25, recruiting 44. All these 44 new members were brought into the Jamaica Club by Marion Pinkney, a young Negro war-plant inspector. In the Bronx, Club Freeman with the aid of ace recruiter Abe Peiman who alone recruited 36, has grown so large it now has a Junior and Senior Division. The Junior Club is for the younger. High School members. Freeman's aim was 50—it has recruited 79.

Bill Johnson's 45 recruits went a long way to helping Club Herndon to double its goal with 58 new members. Herndon underestimated Johnson's talent when it set itself a goal of 25. Other Bronx Clubs that went over the top are Nathan Hall, Club Ashford, Club Brown, Club Kelly and Club '43.

In Manhattan, Club Whitman, which won the last recruiting drive is at it again. This club of High School students recruited 46—or 16 over its goal of 30.

Convoy's goal was 100; but including the 25 seamen Convoy has added to the ranks of the League, 105 members have been recruited. Haven's goal of 100 has been reached and all the new members are Negro. Lower Harlem, Cropper Club and Four Freedoms have also hit their goal.

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Sinarquista Trip To U. S. Part of 5th Column Plot

By Alfred Miller
(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, May 14.—Activities of Mexican Sinarquista students, touring the United States upon the invitation of the Bishop of Kansas, and particularly their letter to the New York Herald-Tribune, are causing great indignation here and more insistently than ever the demand is made for suppression of the National Sinarquista Union.

Fidel Velazquez, of the Mexican Confederation of Workers (CTM) told newspapermen yesterday that these efforts of the Sinarquista students in the United States are "anti-Mexican and anti-democratic."

"Using the same proceedings as in Mexico against the work of the government, they are trying to create an atmosphere in the United States which is adverse to the North American war effort," he said. The CTM is taking all necessary steps to see that these anti-Mexican elements receive the full punishment they deserve. Velazquez declared.

A statement by the Communist Party of Mexico said:

"The Sinarquista have gone to the United States to set up closer cooperation with the most reactionary, imperialist and appeasement groups of that country in order to deprive the people of the peace, to frustrate the principles of the Atlantic Charter and to sabotage real friendship between the two peoples."

"In their letter to the New York Herald-Tribune these Sinarquista have taken the last gesture, which all Hitler friends are obliged to take as the defeat of fascism presents itself as inevitable."

"Sinarquista is rapidly changing its coat. But this is nothing but a maneuver in order to legally continue its fifth column work. 'Sinarquista' is a genuine Mexican social movement," the Sinarquista declares in their letter to the Herald-Tribune, but everybody knows that the founders of the movement were the German Nazi Heinrich Oscar Schreier and the Spanish Falangist Jose Antonio Urdulaga and that Spanish Falangists are really directing it now. 'Sinarquista' is a partisan of democracy, the Sinarquista declare now, but for a long time they have been fighting against democracy and for a fascism which they call 'the New Christian Order.'

"Sinarquista declares that it fights for the transformation of the Mexican people by means of 'education.' The numerous rural teachers, who were murdered or had their ears cut off, the burned schools and the riots against the Obligatory Military Service are good explanations of what they mean."

"But the most important thing is that the Sinarquista have gone to the United States to set up closer collaboration with the most reactionary, imperialist and appeasement groups of that country in order to rob the peoples of the peace, to frustrate the principles of the Atlantic Charter and to sabotage real friendship between the two peoples."

"The Sinarquista have done everything they could to help Hitler win the war. Faced with the inevitable defeat of Hitler, they are now trying to aid the ultra-imperialist groups of the United States to convert Latin America into a submissive colony. In both cases they are the same kind of traitors."

"The Communist Party, knowing the serious danger presented by Sinarquista will not cease calling on the workers and the people of Mexico to fight against Sinarquista until it is completely abolished."

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Southern Negro Mother of 4 Sons In Army Awarded 'Medal of Honor'

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 14.—Mayor Cummings told Mrs. Stockard in the presentation ceremony that he hoped her boys would return safely "when the victory has been won."

"I congratulate you and fully appreciate your fine contribution to the cause of human freedom," he said.

Mrs. Stockard's eldest son, Henry, 27, is a corporal in an engineering detachment which has just taken part in the victorious rescue of North Africa from the Axis.

The three other sons, all privates, are still training in this country. Thomas, 24, is a military policeman at Keesler Field, Miss.; William, 22, is an ambulance driver at the Salt Lake City, Utah, air base; and Edward, 20, now at Camp Clark, Texas, is to be transferred soon and trained as a radio technician.

Action Is In Order

AN EDITORIAL

Reports of police brutality against Negroes during the past week have mounted to the point where special attention from Mayor LaGuardia and Police Commissioner Valentine is in order.

In Harlem, a Negro youngster and his white playmate were assaulted by a police officer, and the Negro boy's hand broken. In Brooklyn, a Negro soldier was assaulted by an officer last Sunday, and a woman beaten. And a couple of days ago, a Negro lad was shot by an officer in downtown Manhattan.

On top of that, a group of white hoodlums in Brownsville brutally raped a young Negro girl and though identified, got off scot free.

There's no doubt that under the Mayor's and Police Commissioner Valentine's administration, New York's police force is not the brutal, inhuman bunch known to New Yorkers in earlier days. But there is still a hangover of the old days in the attitude of some of the police toward the Negro people. This has been aggravated by the shameful "mugging" campaign carried on by sections of the metropolitan press.

Continuation of this brutality will have repercussions which might prove dangerous to our war unity and to the morale of our citizens. Immediate and drastic action by the proper authorities is needed, therefore, to see that it's cut out.

New Child Care Kept Big Secret

By Ann Rivington

Seventeen all-day centers for wartime care of children whose mothers work are now open in New York City. But unfortunately, working mothers don't yet know they exist—unless they found out by accident. The Daily Worker didn't know either till yesterday.

The new centers, which are part of the child-care program sponsored by Governor Dewey and Mayor LaGuardia, have been arranged for and kept under their hat by the Mayor's Committee for the Wartime Care of Children, headed by Miss Helen Harris.

HUSH-HUSH PALING
Miss Harris' office, yesterday, admitted that no press releases have yet been sent out to inform the public of the centers' existence, although they were opened on May 1. No official reason was given for the lack of publicity.

Meanwhile, the Daily Worker learned the centers are running far under capacity, because working mothers don't know about them.

The new centers aren't so new after all, we discovered on further investigation. They have taken the places of 17 of the 28 part-time WPA nursery schools which still remained in the city by the end of April. Of the other 11 WPA nurseries, three have continued under other auspices, two, also under other auspices have merged into one, and one in Brooklyn is still trying to keep its head above water but will probably have to close, while the rest have been discontinued.

OPEN 4 DAYS A WEEK
The new centers, as far as they go, appear to be well fitted for the job in hand. They are open six days a week, 10 to 12 hours a day, to children from 2 to 6 years old, who are given as many as three meals a day. Only children of working mothers will be accepted after July 1.

All but five of the centers are in Manhattan, with only three in the Bronx, two for Brooklyn and none at all for Queens or Staten Island. They are located as follows:

MANHATTAN: Bread Donors, 128 Stanton St.; Church of All Nations, 9 Second Ave.; East Side House, 540 E. 79th St.; Grand St. Settlement, 283 E. 79th St.; Hamilton House, 72 Market St.; Harlem Boys' Club, 28-60 W. 134th St.; East Cavalry Methodist Church, 2085 Fifth Ave.; Hebrew Kindergarten and Infant Home, 35 Montgomery St.; Prescott Nursery, 247 E. 53rd St.; Recreation Rooms and Settlement, 86 E. First St.; Regina Day Nursery, 338 E. 69th St.; Union Settlement, 287 E. 124th St.

BRONX: Bronx House, 1637 Washington Ave.; Council House, 1122 Forest Ave.; Juvenile House, 874 E. 156th St.

BROOKLYN: Ahavath Chesed Day Nursery, 304 Hendrix St.; Kingsborough Nursery School, Kingsborough Housing Project last Walk.

LOOKING for BARGAINS? Try Page 3 of the DAILY WORKER

Youths Plead Not Guilty in 'Assault' Case

Elwell Elerba, 50 W. 13th St., was still in Bellevue Hospital yesterday morning suffering from a gunshot wound inflicted by a policeman Thursday, noon, on 13th St. near Broadway.

Meanwhile Elerba's two companions, who, witnesses say, were playing with him when he was arrested and beaten by the policeman, were arraigned before Magistrate William Klapp, in Felony Court, charged with "felonious assault."

The two youths, William Ferguson, 119 W. 120th St., and Knifes, 394 W. 141st St., pleaded not guilty and were held in \$500 bail for action by the Grand Jury. They will appear again in Felony Court on May 18, along with Elerba. If he has sufficiently recovered at that time, to hear the Grand Jury decision.

Witnesses say the boys were playing on the sidewalk at the noon hour when a policeman, later identified as Fousek, of Traffic A, barged among them and ordered them to "break it up." Later seeing that they were still "roughhousing," he grabbed Elerba and, beating him, dragged him into the Postal Telegraph office at 850 Broadway.

While the youths' companions were clamoring at the locked door of the telegraph office and he was trying to reach them, the policeman, according to witnesses, shot him.

Youth Forum To Hear Minor Today

The Assistant General Secretary of the Communist Party, "Fighting Bob" Minor will address the "Youth Forum" at Workers School this afternoon at 2:30 in answer to the attacks of Mrs. Roosevelt against the Young Communist League at last week-end's United States Student Assembly Conference.

The main topic of the Forum was to be the Soviet-Polish situation, but due to the importance of the USSR it was decided to give special attention to this new attempt on the part of the Social Democrats and Trotskyites to split national unity.

The fact that these enemies of our country succeeded partially through passage of a resolution barring Communists from participation in the National Council shows that all the win-the-war forces have not learned the tragic lessons of red-baiting, Hitler's most potent propaganda weapon.

Mr. Minor will deal with this question in relation to the latest developments on the international scene, the Soviet-Polish question, the conference between President Roosevelt and Winston Churchill and the sniping campaign against "Mission to Moscow."

and whole-hearted collaboration of the United States with Great Britain, the Soviet Union and China," the ALP statement said.

The Committee asked support for the fight to roll-back prices to the September, 1942 level, and urged trade union and consumer representation on local price and rationing boards, as well as an "army of price wardens from the ranks of housewives and labor."

Here's What Consumers Will Tell Congressmen--

New York consumers are going to Washington next Thursday to tell their Senators and Congressmen what the people back home are talking about.

The delegation, organized by the New York City Consumer Council, will ask for:

Price roll-back to Sept. 15, plus real enforcement and price ceilings. Grade labeling, without which price control is almost meaningless. Restoration of Penny Milk and school lunches for New York children.

Support of the Federal Security Administration farm program. Immediate reduction of milk prices as promised New York last January.

The group will represent New York trade unions, auxiliaries, women's groups, neighborhood consumer councils, and welfare organizations.

The women will meet Thursday morning at 8 A.M. at the Information Booth, Pennsylvania Station. For further information, interested persons may call Miss Helen Blanchard, Women's Trade Union League, at Caledonia 5-0684.

Stars Aid Spain Refugees



Members of the cast of the new Broadway musical hit "Oklahoma" are shown as they aided the tag days (today, tomorrow and Saturday) of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. Funds collected by the committee are used to provide food, clothing and other necessities for the Spanish Republican refugees who, the State Department announced, are being shipped to Mexico from concentration camps in North Africa. Left to right: Celeste Holm and Howard Da Silva.

Consumers Quick to Report Violations

Since flat dollar and cents ceilings on meat and grocery goods went into effect, complaints of violations of OPA regulations in New York have increased about 500 per cent. Because of the simplified, uniform ceilings now in operation, consumers are better able to check up on prices.

Before flat dollar and cents ceilings became law, the OPA retail complaint unit at the Empire State Building received about 75 calls, letters and visits daily. These complaints were handled by a staff of six.

But this week, about 400 complaints have been received daily. The six workers had all they could do to handle the calls, letters and visitors, let alone make investigations.

INADEQUATE STAFF
The pitifully inadequate enforcement staff in the retail unit is unable to handle complaints streaming into the office from patriotic citizens who want to see OPA regulations put into effect.

The District OPA office has called upon consumers to report violations as a patriotic responsibility but under present conditions, consumers will have to wait for several weeks before their complaints are acted on.

OPA TO HIRE 1,400
Yesterday OPA chief Prentiss M. Brown disclosed plans to hire 1,400 investigators to help roll-back the cost of living. Job of the new problem will be to educate violators of price rules and punish wilful "chiselers."

At the District OPA office, officials are looking forward to local price panels and price assistants to take part of the load of enforcement off their hands. Some 400 price assistants who are going to be trained to educate the communities on price rules are expected to cover the entire metropolitan area.

Consumer groups throughout the city are calling for the training of thousands of price assistants who will be allowed to enforce prices in addition to their regular educational work.

It is also being suggested that the block wardens be brought into this job since they have already been organized for community work.

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Chain Store Fails to Make Clerk 'Goat' for Violation

Two dairy stores in upper Manhattan will be restrained from selling butter for three days each as a result of violating regulations.

The stores owned by Daiteh and Dubin, dairy chain, were found to be selling butter without collecting rationing stamps.

The action was ordered yesterday by OPA hearing Master Joseph Harrison after OPA attorney Harry Pfeiffer presented the case against the chain. The government's witness was Miss Frances Shindler, who had obtained two one-quarter packages of butter in two of the chain stores without surrendering ration points.

The lawyer for the respondent Lee Rosett tried to place the full blame for the violation on a clerk identified by the government's witness. The clerk a member of Local 338 of the CIO retail clerks union, told the OPA that he did not remember selling any rationed goods without receiving the proper amount of stamps.

He did admit however that due to the shortage of help in the retail store there may have been some slip.

Mr. Dubin, secretary-treasurer of the chain, pleaded with the OPA for leniency on the grounds that he could not be responsible for the action of his clerks. He offered a letter with signatures of his employees pledging compliance with the OPA rationing regulations as evidence of his good will.

Attorney Pfeiffer reminded him that his stores had previously been found to be violating the "freeze" order on butter prior to the rationing program. Mr. Dubin said this was irrelevant to the charge under consideration but Mr. Pfeiffer pointed out that it was significant since Dubin was trying to build himself up as a 100% per cent American.

It was also brought out that the chain store has been charged with selling without collecting the proper amount of ration points on the grounds that the butter was spoiling. This case will be tried in the near future.

The chain store lawyer tried to place the blame for the violation on the clerk. But Hearing Master Harrison made it plain that chain stores had to be responsible for the activities of their employees or else OPA would be unable to punish violations.

"Good faith is not enough these days," said Mr. Harrison. "Just as every worker, in producing the maximum every employer must exercise a greater standard of care in the compliance of wartime regulations." He explained that rationing was

Clothes Ration Can Be Avoided—If

WASHINGTON, May 14 (UP).—War Production Board Chairman Donald M. Nelson expects to avoid rationing of clothing but has warned that it is "imminent" unless the best brains of the textile industry are made available to the government.

"I believe it (clothing rationing) can be avoided; although there are many who think I am wrong," Nelson said.

He outlined the WPB's fight to prevent restrictions on the purchase of clothing in testimony before a House Appropriations Subcommittee. The testimony was made public today.

Nelson said the WPB's Textile Division has even cut the fabrics out of women's hats in order to save textile materials of all kinds for lend-lease shipments.

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Marcantonio Charges Kerr Body Slanders Soviet Union

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Rep. Vito Marcantonio of New York today charged the Kerr Committee of the House with tossing off, without any evidence or substantiation, a "serious libel" against the Soviet Union.

The Kerr Committee's anti-Soviet smear came in the course of its latest report recommending the dismissal of Robert Morse Lovett, veteran liberal and anti-fascist, as secretary of the Virgin Islands.

Lovett was termed "unfit" for government service because of his association with anti-fascist organizations such as Friends of Spanish Democracy, American League Against War and Fascism and the League of American Writers.

One of the organizations with which the Kerr Committee said Lovett had been connected was the National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners and National Committee for People's Rights. Of this group the Kerr Committee said:

"It is listed among organizations alleged to have been financed by the Amtorg Trading Corporation."

The Kerr Committee did not state where or by whom or on what basis Amtorg, a wholly-owned trading corporation of the Soviet Union, was "alleged" to have financed American organizations.

Rep. Marcantonio took the floor to charge that this "is a serious libel against a great ally and injurious to the best interests of the American people."

"I challenge the committee to produce a single iota of evidence to substantiate that statement," Marcantonio declared.

Rep. Clarence Cannon, chairman of the Appropriations Committee, and Rep. John Taber, ranking Republican member, were on the floor at the time but did not take up Marcantonio's challenge.

The full Appropriations Committee today approved the finding of the Kerr sub-committee that Lovett and two Federal Communications Commission employees, Godwin Watson and William E. Dodd, be barred from the government payroll.

The Appropriations Committee prepared an amendment to a pending appropriations bill to this effect.



Vito Marcantonio

This amendment, which is considered an unconstitutional bill of attainder because it is aimed at individuals, will come up for a vote on Monday.

Strong anti-Soviet bias was seen in another section of the Kerr Committee report. One of the main charges against Lovett was that he "defended Soviet purges and killings of objectors in Russia, in 1938."

As the Kerr Committee competed with the Dies Committee in red-baiting and anti-Soviet slander, observers here were startled by a story in PM this morning headed: "Kerr report to blast Dies on drive against liberals."

The lead paragraph of this story building up the Kerr Committee said:

"Martin Dies program to force the dismissal of all liberals in the government will be blasted today by a report from the Kerr Subcommittee of the House clearing most of the Interior Department employees accused by the Texas reactionary."

In this unsigned story, PM waxed ecstatic over the Kerr Committee because it has "cleared" two Interior Department employees: Arthur G. Goldschmidt, acting chief of the Power Division, and Jack Fahy, acting chief of the Puerto Rican Section.

Compiling a box score, PM discovered that the Kerr Committee has recommended dismissal of "only" three of the six employees on the Dies list.

It ignored the fact that the dismissal of only one employee on the ground that he is anti-fascist and progressive sets a dangerous precedent.

PM has blown hot and cold on the Kerr Committee since its creation at the start of this session of Congress. At first PM greeted the Kerr Committee. Then it condemned its report recommending dismissal of Watson and Dodd because they had been found guilty by "the court of public opinion."

This morning it again praised the Kerr Committee.

The story about the Kerr blast

Browder, Foster Honor Zhitlowsky

Dr. Chaim Zhitlowsky, noted Jewish leader, who has just died, was a symbol of the love of the American Jewish people for the Soviet Union, said a statement last night by William Z. Foster, national chairman, and Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party.

The statement follows:

We join the Jewish people and patriotic America as a whole in mourning the death of a great Jew, a great American and a great friend of the United Nations—Dr. Chaim Zhitlowsky.

Dr. Zhitlowsky, a scholar, a writer and a journalist, devoted his entire life to an untiring fight for the interests and the welfare of his people, the Jewish people. He devoted the last years of his life to the struggle for the unity of the Jewish people of America and the unity of the Jewish people of the world over for the winning of the war and for the victory of the United Nations.

Fighting for the interests of the Jewish people, Dr. Zhitlowsky at all times also fought for the interests and the welfare of all other peoples.

Dr. Zhitlowsky realized the liberation of the Jewish people from oppression was intimately linked to the ultimate social liberation of the Jewish workers and the workers of all countries from oppression and exploitation and he fought for brotherhood between all peoples and nations for socialism.

Dr. Zhitlowsky died on the battlefield, in the midst of a lecture tour to promote American-Soviet friendship. He realized that the security of the Jewish people was bound with close collaboration and alliance with the Soviet Union and he was a staunch friend and admirer of the Soviet Union and its leader, Joseph Stalin.

Dr. Zhitlowsky symbolized the friendship and love of American Jewry for the Soviet Union. He fought vigorously against the anti-Soviet conspirators and traitors who try to speak in the name of the Jewish people.

Dr. Zhitlowsky's death is a heavy loss to the Jewish people to America and to the cause of the United Nations.

Jewish people will undoubtedly erect a monument to his memory by realizing all-inclusive Jewish unity as an essential part of national unity for the quick destruction of Hitlerism.

National Committee Communist Party U.S.A.

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Big Battles Loom, Says Soviet Paper

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against numerous counterattacks, killing 400 enemy troops. In recent fighting near Lischansk the Soviets have captured eight guns, 42 machine guns, five trench mortars, 82 tommy guns and 250 rifles, the communique said.

Artillery and trench mortar activity was noted west of Rostov. The communique reported that field guns dispersed and caused heavy damage to a train of 100 enemy supply cars and that trench mortar crews in two days killed up to 300 Germans, demolished two pillboxes and silenced six machine gun nests.

Soviet fliers smashed 40 railroad cars and blew up two fuel dumps on the Smolensk front, the communique said.

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The SPARS to the Rescue



West Coast SPARS are shown being taught the rudiments of life-saving under the direction of Chief Specialist Harry Wyckoff. The girls leap from the water (top) in Lake Washington, near Seattle. After swimming about in the cold lake they head for the rubber boat (bottom) to receive further instructions from Wyckoff.

Rap Labeling Delay As Aid to Profiteers

WASHINGTON, May 14.—"The Office of Price Administration must institute Grade Labeling and not yield to the pressure of large canners and those forces who seek to disrupt our economic stabilization program," stated the National Lawyers Guild in a letter to Prentiss Brown.

"These forces seek to disrupt the economic stabilization program in order to delay the military offensive upon which speedy and complete victory depends," the Guild letter said.

The letter accompanied a legal memorandum signed by Honorable Robert W. Kenny, President, and Martin Pepper, Executive Secretary of the National Lawyers Guild, which supports the authority of the Office of Price Administration to institute Grade Labeling.

Both the letter and the memorandum were in answer to a letter addressed by Administrator Brown to the Lawyers Guild, in which he stated that the matter of Grade Labeling was still under consideration; that there are a great many arguments "for and against" and that he had not yet reached a decision.

manpower, restates the CIO position "that total mobilization could be attained only through a centralized civilian administration of our economic, manpower and production problems, as provided in the Pepper-Kilgore-Tolan bill pending in Congress."

In criticizing the recent McNutt job freezing order the resolution demands that the WMC use regional manpower stabilization agreements "consummated through the democratic machinery of joint labor-management committees and a greater participation for labor representatives throughout the administrative machinery of the WMC."

The introduction to the statement, speaking of the "all important struggles which lie ahead to smash our Axis enemies," declared that "it is the task of organized labor—more than any other group—to make certain that no individual, adverse or indifferent to the outcome of our struggle, be permitted to exploit the present difficulties accompanying a war as to confuse or cause disunity among the people of the nation."

The Cleveland Citizen, local AFL paper, today in its leading editorial welcomed the CIO Executive Board. The editorial follows:

"Today the Executive Board of the CIO and many of the officers of the international affiliated with that organization are meeting in Cleveland—"

"Of course, members of the AFL are supposed to rise on their high horses and put on some sort of a fight against even permitting of a terrible people to walk the same streets with us or to eat in the same hotels and restaurants—at least the general public has been fed that sort of poppycock for many a moon."

"But we want to welcome these men and women to this city and wish them well. Our problem is their problem. We are all interested in the welfare of the working people and anything they can do to influence the powers-that-be into realizing the plight of the wage-earner will be just that much closer to a final understanding on the part of members of both organizations."

"Good luck, ladies and gentlemen, you are more than welcome."

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'America Day' To Hear Ace Of So. Pacific

Captain Joseph J. (Joe) Foss of the U. S. Marines, midwest farm boy who became all-time American ace of the war in the South Pacific by shooting down twenty-six Japanese planes in ten weeks action over Guadalcanal—barely escaping death himself, will be acclaimed by New Yorkers at the city's official "I Am An American Day" celebration in Central Park Mall tomorrow afternoon, Mayor F. H. LaGuardia announced yesterday.

Announcement that the Marine ace who hails from Sioux Falls, S. D., will appear on Sunday's program, is the first to be made of the several war heroes who are expected to participate in the great patriotic demonstration through arrangements being made by the Mayor with Army and Navy officials. Last year, more than a million New Yorkers hailed three heroes of the Philippines, Navy Lieutenant Bulkeley and Kelley and Ensign Akers.

"I Am An American Day" is being observed nationwide by Presidential Proclamation pursuant to a Resolution of Congress. Mayor LaGuardia, as President of the Conference of Mayors, has called upon all Conference members to arrange for local celebrations. New York City's great program attracted 1,250,000 people last year, and almost a million in 1941.

Vice President Wallace will be the principal speaker at this year's ceremony with Chief Justice Irving Lehman of the State Court of Appeals leading the vast assemblage in the Oath of Allegiance to the Flag. The Vice President will report on his recent tour of South America. Consuls General of nineteen Latin American nations have been invited as special committee of honor to greet Wallace.

Stars of the theatre, opera and radio will entertain, including Lawrence Tibbett, Bidu Sayo, Jan Peerce, Marjorie Lawrence, Rise Stevens, Conrad Thibault, the Golden Gate Quartet and Major Raymond Massey of the Canadian Army, noted actor. Massed bands of city departments will play and the Coast Guard Quartet and the Waves Glee Club will join in the grand musical finale that is being planned. The program will begin at 2:30 P. M.

Over 20,000 CIO members living in the Sixth Assembly District, of the Bronx will be represented at the East Bronx CIO Community Conference, which will take place tomorrow, May 16, at 1:30 P. M. at the Chester Palace Hall, 177th St. and Boston Road, Bronx. AFL Railroad Brotherhood members and representatives of community organizations will also attend.

The conference is designed to organize labor's support of President Roosevelt's war policies at home and abroad, and to unite all community forces in the East Bronx area for speedy victory.

Mr. Leonard Golditch, Bronx secretary of the American Jewish Congress and member of its National Administrative Committee, as well as the branch supervisor of the Block Service organization of CIO in the Bronx, and Mr. Milton Finn, secretary of the United Automobile Workers of America, Local 280, will be the main speaker at this, the 18th in a series of 20 community conferences organized by the CIO in New York City. With the completion of this conference, the CIO in New York will have organized 429,000 of its 500,000 members in Greater New York into its community councils.

The conference will also elect the East Bronx CIO Community Council. Representatives of East Bronx Community organizations will be eligible to membership on the Council as "fraternal delegates."

On Tuesday, May 18, the CIO Community Councils of New York will broadcast over Station WLIB from 7 P. M. to 7:15 P. M.

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Soviet-Baiting Scored at Textile Parley

Union Lookout

Many New York unions run canteens for servicemen but the only one in the radio and machine tool field is operated by Local 430, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO, which has hundreds of girl members.

More than one romance has been set ablaze as a result of the Friday night socials at headquarters, 130 Fifth Avenue, where girl unionists from radio shops entertain soldiers, sailors, marines and merchant seamen from our own forces and from those of the United Nations. Club 430 is a favorite specialty with British seamen.

Martha Pickus, 20, pretty, petite member of the membership committee of Local 447, Paper Workers and Distributing Trades, AFL, plugged away at an unskilled job in the industry until the other day when the manpower situation changed things around. Now she's operating a multi-lith press, used to make color reproductions for commercial printing. She's one of the first women ever to be employed on a like job. It's not heavy work but it requires skill. She's got it. She was taught on the job.



MICHAEL QUILL

There may be an interesting meeting May 30 at the Little Sisters of the Assumption Church at Convent Ave. and 144th St. Michael Quill, president of the Transport Workers Union, has written the pastor asking an invitation so that he can present some facts about the union. At the same church April 18, about 50 transit workers from various lines heard a lay professor lambaste the union. Quill wants to deliver a rebuttal. An open letter from him to Father Crescent is published in this month's TWU Bulletin.

Conrad Kaye, manager of Local 623, Amalgamated Meat Cutters and president of the New York Butchers District Council, with a membership of 20,000, is off to the wars again. Kaye fought in Spain with the International Brigades against the fascist invaders. Joe Cohn, who was officiating in Local 623 when Kaye returned from Spain in 1935, has succeeded him as manager.

The Delegate Assembly of the Teachers Union has adopted a resolution deploring the Mayor's refusal to reappoint Mrs. Johanna Lindloff to the Board of Education. They noted that she was one of the union's "sharpest critics" but they praised her for her "expert knowledge, courage, independence and sincerity."

Toffenetti's Restaurant, long famous for its spaghetti, may soon have union personnel serving it. . . The New York State Labor Relations Board has set May 25 for an election. Locals 16 and 89, Hotel and Restaurant Employees, AFL, are winding up a two and a half year campaign in which they faced bitter management opposition.

The drinks were on the newspapermen last night. They gathered at the Newpapers Guild Bar, 40 E. 40th St., to bid farewell to Johnny Dunn, New York editor of Federated Press. He leaves for the Army Monday. Ray Torr, veteran Newspaper Guildsmen, will take his place. Torr has been working with Local 478, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers.

Joseph Curran, president of the National Maritime Union, will be one of the speakers at National Maritime Day ceremonies at 4 P.M. today at the Andrew Furuseth Club, 30 E. 37th St. A host of Furuseth, founder of union organization among seamen, will be unveiled. Mayor LaGuardia and others will also speak.

The Mayor will do the honors at another National Maritime Day ceremony an hour later. He'll serve as "honorary general manager" of the 17-story Hotel Wilshire, which United Seamen's Service (USO) of the merchant marine will open as a combination residential and recreation club for the men who deliver the goods.

Sol Fishke, president of Local 447 of the paper workers, AFL, has just been elected to his third term. Others re-elected at the same time were: Robert Bennett, representative organizer; George Hayes, vice-president; and Michael Emille, treasurer. Members of Local 121, Gas, Coke and Chemical Workers, CIO, are gloating over the record of one of their union brothers, a hero in North Africa.

The hero is Sgt. Salvatore DiSantis. He took four tanks through enemy fire to get supplies for troops that were cut off during the battle for Tunisia. DiSantis formerly was a truck driver at Service Backing Co., Brooklyn. One of those most elated about his achievements was Leo Valardi, newly-elected union business agent. He and the Sergeant were shopmates at Service Backing.

The food unions are the organizations that are making the headlines these days with news about women taking men's jobs. Bell boys are giving way to bell girls in the Front Service Union, Local 144, which also reports women elevator operators by the hundreds and even baggage porters and bellwomen. A woman member was a curiosity in that union a few months ago. Today 35 per cent of the 2,500 dues payers are women.

The bar, one of the last masculine bastions, has been stormed too. Hotel and Club Employees Local 6 reports two bartenders serving up drinks at the Astor cocktail lounge and another at the Taft Grill.

The union provides a professional opinion on how it works out. Frank Rooney, a bartender who teaches the girls the art, says of Hazel Trinker, one of his disciples: "She is better than the average run of bartenders."

You can thank union men for those films the CDO is showing all over the five boroughs. Members of Local 306, Moving Picture Operators Union, AFL, do the projecting as volunteers in their free time. So far, they've helped put on more than 900 shows.

Lewis Tactics Peril War, CIO Seamen Told

Howard McKenzie, vice-president of the National Maritime Union, scored John L. Lewis' wartime strike provocations as an aid to Hitler at a large New York membership meeting at Manhattan Center Thursday night.

"The production line has become labor's picket line during the war," he continued.

"Labor is producing to defeat fascism."

McKenzie emphasized the sinister aspect of Lewis' strike policy at this time.

"Lewis calls strikes as the moment when we are about to invade Europe," he said.

An extension of such strikes would prevent the second front, he went on.

"Our successes in Tunisia shows that our soldiers have joined the Red Army in destroying the myth of Nazi invincibility."

"The way is ready for a drive to Berlin from the East and the West."

The people of Europe will rise as we enter, the marine leader continued. He cited the Spanish uprising in Malaga, when the Spanish people heard the booming of guns from the South.

The one greatest danger to the

To Adolph, With Love--Jeanette



Bestowing a kiss on a 2,000-pound bomb is Jeanette Owen, of Bradley, Ill., one of the 3,000 women at work in a Joliet TNT plant. Surveys have found women to be more careful than men at the job.

UE Nails Woll 'Unity' Plea as Disruptive

When Matthew Woll talks about "unity," he's aiming at "unity to fight the government" and to disrupt the war effort, the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO, says an editorial in the current issue of the NE news. The editorial hits Woll's recent speech as expressing a "defeatist position." Here is the editorial:

DANGEROUS ADVICE

Mr. Matthew Woll, member of the AFL Executive Council, has just issued a statement giving masked approval to the ruinous strike policy of John L. Lewis. Mr. Woll tries to disguise his position, which is a defeatist position, by presenting it as a plea for the interests of the coal miners and of labor in general.

Woll gives dangerous advice. Under the guise of an argument for a stronger War Labor Board, Woll calls for the destruction of the War Labor Board.

He says "The WLB has become a policeman's club."

He says its usefulness is ended.

He says that the setting up by the Administration of the Office of Economic Stabilization was "a violation of the no strike pledge."

And finally he declares, exposing his hand, that "the time has come for labor to declare its independence of unconstitutional government dictation."

That is to say, the time has come, in Mr. Woll's opinion, for labor to cease fighting for economic stabilization, to renounce its no strike policy, to turn against the Administration and the war effort, and with strikes and disruption to join forces with John L. Lewis, William H. Clegg, Herbert Hoyer, Burton K. Wheeler, Hamilton Fish, George Sylvester Viereck and the like.

Labor calls for, and the interests for stabilization demand, a more effective War Labor Board. But that will not be achieved by blustering threats of withdrawal from the WLB. Such a position can only weaken WLB, and it is intended to do so. Woll's statement will provide a platform at the coming meeting of the AFL Executive Council for the faction which will fight for AFL withdrawal from WLB, which would be a calamity to the labor movement and to the country.

Woll calls for unity in the labor movement--not unity to win the war--but unity to win the war--but unity to fight the government. Such a call is a masked invitation to John L. Lewis to re-enter the AFL--to join forces with Woll and Hatcher--to build a defeatist majority to capture the Federation Council for more effective and widespread disruption of the war effort. On that question also, no doubt, Woll's statement will be the platform of the defeatists at the meeting of the Executive Council.

Woll follows the lead of John L. Lewis in treating labor's no strike policy as if it were a lousy bargain with our country, under which we would produce for our soldiers only so long as we get what we want.

Fortunately for America, the no strike policy is based on other considerations. While our country is fighting for its very existence, the no strike policy means that labor places no more conditions on the observance of it than our soldiers are placing upon the shedding of their blood.

John L. Lewis has breached that obligation to his country, betraying his miners, and injuring the interests of labor. He is threatening now to repeat the performance, and Matthew Woll--and others--are

exhorting him on. They are crying "Encore!" to the coal strike.

There must be no repeat performance of that treasonable disgrace. Both AFL and CIO must repudiate Lewis, and call upon the coal miners to join hands with the labor movement to win redress of their just grievances by strengthening and improving those governmental agencies established for that purpose.

CIO Seamen Send Eisenhower Wire

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, May 14.—A cable of cheers went out from Philadelphia members of the National Maritime Union yesterday to General Eisenhower.

The union "salutes the magnificent achievement in North Africa of troops under your command," the cable told General "Ike." "Please convey our congratulations and assurances that we will keep them sailing with renewed confidence in the ultimate destruction of world fascism."

Quill, Nixon at Hartford Forum

HARTFORD, May 14.—Michael Quill, president of the Transport Workers Union and Russ Nixon, Washington representative of the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of America will be the two featured speakers at the Public Town Meeting here next Thursday night.

The President's "hold-the-line" order, the Casablanca decisions, taxations and anti-labor legislation will be covered by the speakers. Conducted in the spirit of the traditional New England town meeting, the conference, sponsored by the CIO, will hear Mayor Thomas J. Spellacy, Patrick Ward, president of the Greater Hartford Industrial Union Council will be chairman.

Labor Unity Asked By City AFL Bakers

New York's union bakers will soon hold a victory conference with labor unity one of the main topics under discussion.

The session, which will be held on a city-wide scale and may be enlarged to include the entire state, will have special significance since bakers are members of the AFL and constitute an important part of AFL membership in New York. Arrangements for the conference are being made by the Bakers Joint Board, representing 20,000 bakers. The board took action on the basis of proposals made by Local 50 after hearing its secretary, Hyman H. Schanker, present a 6-point program which the local prepared at its own victory conference April 17. That conference called upon AFL President William Green, CIO Pres-

Rank and File Delegates Laud Soviet Ally

By George Morris

Resentment against the anti-Soviet activities of the leaders of the Textile Workers Union (CIO) was voiced yesterday at the closing hours of the union's convention at Carnegie Hall.

It came after four days of sessions during which convention leaders and guest speakers monopolized the floor and held rank and file expression down to practically zero.

That all isn't serene and "unanimous" was shown first when the resolutions committee brought out its resolution condemning the Soviet government for executing the two Nazi spies Alter and Ehrlich. It came again when a resolution on labor's interest in the peace came before the delegates.

The Alter-Ehrlich issue was strange to the overwhelming majority of the delegates who had neither advance information nor the "benefit" of the confusion that New York papers carried on it. They remained silent and indifferent during the discussion as well as the vote upon it. The resolution, declared carried by the chairman, received about two dozen voice votes, while somewhat fewer voices were heard against it, out of the 900 delegates attending.

LAUDS SOVIET ALLY

Hyman Gurinski, vice-president of Paterson, Local 73, delivered a vigorous speech against the resolution. He told the delegates that the whole world is thankful to the Soviet Union for cleaning out the fifth column so effectively. He assailed President Emil Rieve for his red-baiting noting that he speaks much like Goebbels.

Delegate Webster of Yonkers said that we have no right to interfere in the affairs of the Soviet Union as it knows what it is doing.

Still another delegate from Massachusetts, objected to having such matters brought in to the convention. A stinging rebuke to the officialdom that brought a general ovation, came from a Negro delegate Augustus Usher of New York, when he spoke on the peace resolution yesterday. Usher observed that the resolutions committee has expressed much interest in "something that they thought wasn't right in Russia" but nothing was brought on discrimination and lynchings "right here in this country."

Stressing the important mission the TWU has in organizing the South, he hammered away on the importance of the struggle against discrimination and demanded a resolution on the subject. The big applause is all the response he received. No discrimination resolution was brought in.

TUNISIA RESOLUTION

Another Italian-American delegate from New England, speaking in the same resolution, observed an announcement by officials that they will send telegrams of congratulations to the British and American military leaders in Tunisia. He called attention to the part "our most important ally, the Soviet Union," and China had in holding back the Axis hordes, and suggested that telegrams be also sent to Stalin and Chiang-Kai Shek. He deplored that in all the speeches there was hardly mention of the Soviet Union.

The suggestion made it necessary for vice-president George Baldani to deliver a few flowery remarks of sympathy to the people of the Soviet Union, but he ignored the proposal for a wire to Stalin.

The five-day convention was a far cry from the constitutional convention at Philadelphia in 1933, which breathed enthusiasm, democracy and a rank and file spirit. The group around Mr. Rieve has systematically stifled rank and file initiative. This was reflected in the apathy at Carnegie Hall.

'New Leader' Shows Hand In Anti-Murray Scheme

New Leader

Carey, Reuther Lead Union Drive For New Roosevelt Labor Policy

From New Workers' Planning the New Leader Against the Anti-AFL-CIO Mobilize

Reproduced above is the front page headline of the May 1 issue of the Social Democratic organ the New Leader.

The Social Democratic clique around the weekly paper the New Leader yesterday laid its cards on the table, openly proclaiming its hand in a conspiracy to undermine the leadership of President Philip Murray.

The headline across the front page of the paper proclaims that "Carey, Reuther lead union drive for New Roosevelt Labor Policy." Below it, the New Leader delightfully summarizes the trend towards an anti-Murray and anti-Roosevelt movement that certain leaders of the CIO are joining.

The big developments that give the New Leader so much encouragement are the pro-Lewis expressions that have been voiced by some delegates at two regional conferences of the United Automobile Workers and the anti-Roosevelt and anti-Murray speeches at the Textile Workers Union's convention.

Walter Reuther, vice-president of the UAW, is put forward as leader of the "new" line against President

R. J. Thomas, secretary-treasurer of the CIO, and vice-president Richard Frankenstein, all supporters of Murray.

CAREY, LEWIS 'CHAMPIONS'

James Carey, secretary-treasurer of the CIO, is counted upon much by the New Leader. His anti-Roosevelt expressions are quoted as evidence of the anti-Roosevelt "note of militancy" that is developing.

The New Leader story goes further in noting that George Meany and Matthew Well are expressing the same "militancy" on the "AFL side." No objection is expressed against Lewis. In fact he is pictured as a champion of this "militancy."

Until now the New Leader has been given to high praise for these "militants" for their anti-Soviet attacks on the Alter-Ehrlich issue. Now, the next disruptive step in this "united front," with the close guidance of the Social Democrats is taking shape.

The Textile convention, controlled by Emil Rieve and fellow-Social Democrats, was a platform for a

week of attacks upon Murray and the President. Vice-president George Baldani employed red-baiting in attacking Murray and charged him with letting others speak for the CIO.

OCD Establishes Junior Corps

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Establishment of a Junior Citizens Service Corps to give federal recognition to boys and girls under the age of 18 participating in organized civilian war services was announced today by James M. Landis, Director of Civilian Defense.

Authorization of the Junior Service Corps is embodied in regulations just issued by OCD covering membership in both the Junior and Senior Citizens Service Corps, establishing minimum rates of volunteer work for continuance of membership, and prohibiting use of the familiar "CDV" insignia of the citizens service corps by any but authorized members. The regulations are effective May 15.

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Giants Win in 9th, Hit by Gordon Beats Chicago, 3-2

Ott, Lombardi Hit First Homers of Year; Lohrman Goes Distance; Rookie Sid's Single Does Trick

By C. E. Dexter

The Giants staged another garrison finish at the Polo Grounds yesterday and won another ball game in the ninth inning from the visiting Chicago Cubs who are looking more and more foolish every day without Lou Novikoff.

The Otters beat the Cubs 3-2 when third base rookie Sid Gordon bashed a single to left with the bases loaded in the final frame. The hit scored Mel Ott with the winning run and sent the Giants a full game ahead of the Cubs who are in the cellar.

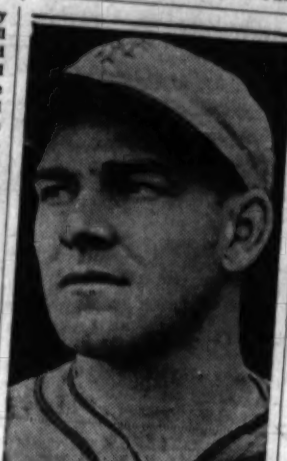
All in all it was a bright day for the Polo Grounds boys. Bill Lohrman went the distance and pitched a mighty home game. Mel Ott hit his first homer of the season and big Ernie Lombardi followed up his three hits of the previous day by ramming out a mammoth homer into the upper left field stands in the fourth inning. Ernie is now beginning to pay off the price which the Giants gave for him and if he continues to belt the apple the Giants will be up in the first division and challenging the Dodgers you can say "Hitler is a dead rat."

A crowd of 3,474 fans saw Bill Bithorn, the Cuban hurler, yield only six hits in eight innings—two of them homers by Ott and Lombardi in the second and fourth frames respectively—then get knocked out of the box in the ninth by walking Ott and Lombardi and setting the stage for Gordon's shot into left field.

Here's the way the inning went: After Ott and Lombardi drew their walks, Bithorn was yanked and Ray Prim, up from Los Angeles where he had won 26 games last year, came in. Prim pitched only one ball. Barn bunted it back to the mound and the pitcher missed it up, all hands pulling up. Jimmy Wilson then punished Prim by walking him and putting in a rookie who pitched for Notre Dame, Al Hanyewski, who was spotted by Gordon with the belt into left field for the winning run.

Until that time the game had been tied at 2-2. The Cubs scored one piece in the second and sixth innings. In the second Bill Nicholson belted a triple to the Giant bull pen and scored when Daleandro grounded out. In the sixth the run came on consecutive singles by Ed Stanky, Daleandro and Phil Cavaretta.

In between and after these in-



MEL OTT HITS FIRST HOMER

Lohrman held the Novikoff-less Cubs well in check. . . . The Pirates are in today . . . while the Cubs move over to Dodgers.

Chicago . . . 010 001 000-3 11
NEW YORK . . . 010 000 001-3 7 0
Bithorn, Prim (9), Hanyewski (9) and Hernandez, Todd (9); Lohrman and Lombardi.

GAMES TODAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Pittsburgh at New York
Chicago at Brooklyn
St. Louis at Philadelphia
Cincinnati at Boston.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York at St. Louis
Philadelphia at Cleveland
Washington at Detroit
Boston at Chicago (night)

Fitz Belted in 1st Start, Bucs Beat Dodgers, 5-2

By Phil Gordon

Old Freddy Fitzsimmons was taken out of the shadow of the dugout yesterday to face a team, which in better days, he could lick without raising a good sweat—the Pittsburgh Pirates. But as Freddy and Leo Durocher found out, those days are gone forever and the Brooklyn boys, 5-3, all the runs being scored off Pat Freddy in the first four frames.

The Pirates hit Fritz hard, if not often, tallying twice in the opening frame and three more times in the fourth inning, when Freddy was kayoed, Rube Melton relieving.

The Dodgers were not able to do much with the offerings of Hank Gornicki, who held them to only seven safeties. The three Dodger hurlers, Fitz, Melton and Head, gave up only five hits between them.

In the first inning the Pirates belted two, when Bob Elliot slammed a homer into the lower left field stands, scoring Elby Fletcher ahead of him who had gotten on via a walk.

The Dodgers came right back though and scored a run when Vaughan dropped a Texas League double into right center field and went to third when Dimeaggio booted the ball around. He scored a moment later on Dixie Walker's shot to center for one base.

In the fourth the Pirates knocked Freddy out and scored three times and meanwhile the Dodgers could only get one more run off Gornicki, which they scored in the eighth when Billy Herman doubled to center, went to third on the second error by Vince DiMaggio and scored on Glosop's ground out.

Pittsburgh . . . 000 000 000-5 4
BROOKLYN . . . 000 000 000-2 7 0
Gornicki and Lopez; Fitzsimmons, Melton (4), Head (5) and Owen.

SCORES

NATIONAL LEAGUE
St. Louis . . . 000 001 000-3 12 0
Boston . . . 000 000 001-4 8 0
Lanier and W. Cooper; Javery and Mast.

Cincinnati at Philadelphia, postponed.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
NEW YORK . . . 000 000 000-3 11
Chicago . . . 000 000 001-3 6 0
Wenafelt and Dickey; Ross and Turner.

Washington . . . 000 000 002-3 8 1
Cleveland . . . 000 000 001-1 9 2
Leonard and Earley; Guillian (9); Bagby, Nymkirk (9) and Rosar.

Phila. 000 001 002 001-7 11 2
Detroit . . . 000 000 012 000-6 10 1
Harris and Swift; White, Henahay (7), Bridges (9) and Richards, Parsons (11).

Boston at St. Louis, postponed.

WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the Daily and the Worker are 10¢ per line (10 words to a line—3 lines minimum). DEADLINE: Daily at 3 P.M. For Sunday, Wednesday at 4 P.M.

INTERPRETATION OF THE WEEK
Review of the News by Morris U. Shapiro, Saturday at 3 P.M. Includes review of Archbishop of Canterbury's speech for Democracy, 15 Astor Place. Admission 35 cents by Astor Place.

FORUM: Louis Mitchell—Living in Wartime—Black Market or Price Control? 4:15 P.M. Refreshments, puppets. Chelsea Peoples Club, 223 9th Avenue. Admission 10¢.

THE NEW DANCE GROUP party you've been waiting for! Polka-orchestra dancing. Informal entertainment by dancers Jane Dugger, Sophie Maslow, Pearl Primus, Singers: Woody Guthrie, Leadbelly. May 15-300 P.M. at 17 West 24th St. Contributions 50 cents or more to Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee.

GAY PARTY: Entertainment, "Dancing Refreshments, Seltzer dancing. Saturday evening, May 16, 9 P.M. 201 West 2nd St. Hill Victory Club. Sub. 40¢. Ausp.: Columbia Party Club.

RUSSIAN CONCERT: Dance. Prominent talent. Good music. Refreshments. Proceeds: Russian War Relief. Admission 30¢. 972 1WO, 230 West 90th St. 8:30 P.M.

FIFTH ANNUAL CONCERT: I.W.O. Manhattan Orchestra featuring Doreck's "New World Symphony." Ray Porter Miller, Herman Miller, J. H. Boston Rd. and 173rd St. 8:30 P.M.

DANCING: Entertainment. Fun galore at Grand Opening at Club Freeman 1334 Wilkins Ave. Follow the crowd there. Everyone's coming. Music by Lester Myers. 8:30 P.M.

REER PARTY: Entertainment, Dance, refreshments. 1334 Wilkins Ave. 8:30 P.M.

ANNUAL CONCERT AND DANCE: Jewish White, Earl Jones and others. Hot swing band. Sub. 40¢. 1030 Broadway 11 block from DeKalb Ave. 8:30 P.M. IWO Lodge 745.

College Championships This Afternoon: NYU Favored to Repeat IC4A Track Triumph at Triboro

Keyed up for their varsity track finale, the track and field athletes of 38 colleges will compete in the 67th annual Intercollegiate AAAA (IC4A) championships at Triborough Stadium, Randall's Island, five minutes by bus from Lexington Ave. and 125th St., today.

Winner of four team championships out of four this year, indoors and outdoors, New York University's brilliant squad is favored to regain the team crown it won for the first time in 1941. Army, entering a full team for the first time, and winner of the Ivy League title last week, is rated the only serious opposition for Von Elling's Violets. Penn State is defending the team title without any of the four men (all graduated) who scored 25 1/2 points last year.

For the first time in modern annals, the IC4A is being decided on one day, with trials in nine events, plus two finals (hammer throw and discus) at 10 o'clock in the morning, and the semi-finals and finals in the remaining 14 events at 2:30 in the afternoon.

It will be a meet replete with close competition, exciting finishes, interesting doubles and a keen battle for points (3-4-3-2-1 in all 16 events). Outstanding in the list of potential double winners are Private Harvey Kelley, Princeton sophomore, gunning for the 100 and 220 yard titles, Don Burnham, Dartmouth medical student, in the mile and 500, Tom Todd, of Virginia, in the high and low hurdles, Bill Vesicle of Columbia in the high jump and discus, Richmond (Boo) Morcom of New Hampshire in the pole vault, high and broad jumps, and Bernie Mayer of NYU in the shot and discus.

Morcom, married, the father of a son and headed for the service on July 2, is the only man in the meet with a chance for three championships. He is also the only 1942 winner defending. He won the high jump, and tied two others for the pole vault crown last year when he pulled a muscle in the broad jump trials on the first day. Boo is in excellent form. He won three titles at the New England intercollegiate last Saturday. Already holder of the IC4A indoor vaulting record of 14 feet 4 1/2 inches, he hopes to eclipse Keith Brown's outdoor record of 14 feet 5 1/2 inches which was the world record when the Yale ace set it in 1935.

Best bet for a record, if any are broken today is Vesicle, who cleared 6:7 to 6:8 five times indoors. The towering Columbia skyscraper will set his sights on the IC4A record of 6 feet 6 1/2 inches made by Delos Thurber of U.S.C. in 1935.

Kelsey, unbeaten in eight races this spring, will get pressure opposition from Charley Shaw, of Cornell, double runnerup to Barney Ewell last year, Ed Conwell, of NYU, metropolitan and indoor IC4A champion, and Herbert McKenley, Boston College freshman from the British West Indies, who has swept 11 races from 100 to 440 yards this season. Not since the days of Wyckoff and Kiesel have the sprints commanded

the attention they do today in the Intercollegiate.

Burnham, 4:16.6 indoors, conqueror of Frank Dixon in the IC4A at the Garden, is rated a heavy favorite in the mile which Dartmouth hasn't won since E. C. Stimson took the 1976 inaugural at Saratoga Springs. He may also be the one to beat in the half-mile, although Fordham Joe Nowicki, beaten by inches for the all out in this one race and will be likely tough.

Richard Rcy Phillips, tiny Tufts College runner, looms as the favorite for his first IC4A crown in the two-mile, in which Bill Marr of NYU, Harold (Maggie) Saine of Army, Dave Williams of George-

town, Curtis Stone of Penn State, are contenders.

Todd's foes in the two hurdles races (120 yard high and 220 yard low) include Warren Halliburton, NYU freshman, Met. champion, Ben Cassidy of Army, Delmon Albert of Northeastern, New England low hurdles champ, Joe LeClair of Maine, New England high hurdles champion, Bob Banks and Ken Longnecker of Navy, Dana Payne of Princeton, Ivy high hurdles champion.

NYU has stars as well as depth for its team bid. The Violet is banking on Conwell, Halliburton, Cotter, Grigsby, Mayer, Len Bates (discus) Ray Zoellner (mile and 800), Marr, Bill Stoll (hammer), Rogers (sprints) Morris, Frank Mcullen (mile), Richard Williver (mile), Saine, Cassidy, Smith, Ollies (broad jump), Bill Ekberg and Ed Cutler (shotput) and Eaton Gorelson (pole vault).

Cubans vs. Black Yanks in Two: 15,000 Expected at Negro League Opener Tomorrow

The Negro National League will open its season in New York tomorrow when the New York Black Yankees take on the New York Cubans in a double-header at the Yankee Stadium before a crowd which is expected to reach 15,000.

Newbold Morris, president of the City Council, will throw out the first ball. In Mr. Morris' box will be Bob Montgomery, famed Negro lightweight who faces Beau Jack next Friday night for the lightweight championship of the world.

The Cubans and the Black Yankees have been bolstered by trades and signing of new players. Leading the new additions for the Black Yanks is Bill Hoskins, heavy-hitting slugger who was gained in a trade with the Baltimore Elite Giants. Also in the line-up will be Scoop Baker, sparkling shortstop from Bridgeport.

Leading the Cubans' attack will be Juan Combre, champion hitter of the Puerto Rican winter league, and Jose Rivero, third baseman.

The Cubans also have Dave Barnhill, one of the greatest pitchers in Negro baseball as well as one of the four players who were supposed to have gotten tryouts with the Pittsburgh Pirates last season.

LeRoy Matlock, southpaw fireball hurler who once starred for the famed Pittsburgh Crawfords, has joined the team.

On the mound for the Cubans in the double bill will be Matlock and Rudolfo (Bulleit) Fernandez. Facing them for the Black Yanks will be Specs Roberts and Ace Adams or Roy Williams.

Participating in the opening day festivities will be the 15th Regiment, New York Guard.

Nazi Slavers Will Be Punished--Molotov

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ery, the note asserts. It gives figures:

"Thus more than 20,000 persons were forcibly shipped out by the Germans from Kirovsk; 25,381 persons from Kurak and nine adjacent districts; more than 23,000 from Khar'kov (according to official German figures, for August, 1942); 60,000 from Mariupol; 100 trainloads of people were sent from Stalino to forced labor jobs in Germany up to July, 1942."

The note asserts that according to official German information Germany and cities around the world report which says "some 2,000,000 persons were sent to Germany in the course of 1942 from the occupied regions in the east."

MANY SHOT
Those who resist being sent to slavery are treated as "outlaws" and many are shot, the report says, adding that those who are shipped to Germany "are loaded into cars like cattle," those who become ill are thrown out of cars under the wheels.

On arrival, the Soviet citizens live under conditions "even more terrible than those existing under chattel slavery," the Molotov note declares.

"Soviet citizens were interned in concentration camps, fenced off with barbed wire. They were driven to work and returned in columns, accompanied by armed Hitlerites," the statement says.

"The Soviet people were deprived of names and called by number. Russians and Ukrainians received special identification marks. A starvation regime has been instituted."

"The Soviet government places full responsibility for these four crimes primarily on the ruling Hitlerite command but considers fully responsible also all Hitlerite officials in charge of slave traffic, the note says, and it grimly lists the names of those with whom a reckoning will be had in the future.

"The Soviet government places full responsibility also on the individuals in Germany who inhumanely exploit Soviet citizens and will hold them to an accounting, the note continues, adding that a Soviet commission is keeping a full and precise account of the Nazi barbarism."

Labarca Condemns Argentine President

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influence of Franco."

"The people of Chile are anxious to produce copper and nitrates to defeat Hitler," Labarca declared, "but not for Franco who is Hitler's agent."

He has conferred with Vice-President Henry A. Wallace, and is expected to meet with Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Under-Secretary Sumner Welles before leaving for New York.

FIFTH COLUMNISTS
Labarca stressed the importance of a continued struggle against the fascist Fifth Column in Latin America.

One of the chief weapons of the Fifth Column, he said, is anti-Communist agitation.

"This campaign was exposed as a Nazi trick in Chile," he declared, and added that the anti-Communist drive has been set back in Chile.

The Chilean Communist leader said that all the democratic parliaments of Chile are in favor of establishing diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union.

Speaking unofficially, he said that he believed that relations will be established "very soon."

Asked whether Vice-President Wallace's trip to Chile and other Latin American countries had a good effect, Labarca grinned and replied in English:

"Plenty."

Then he added in Spanish: "Magnifico."

He said that Wallace has a "positive democratic influence throughout Latin America."

LOWDOWN

Gundar Haegg on Way Over for the Race of the Century with Greg Rice

NAT LOW

Gundar Haegg, the great Swedish distance runner who owns practically all the world records for the two, three and five mile runs, is already on the high seas headed for the United States and his duels with the best of America's track stars. His duels will be with Greg Rice primarily, for Greg is not only the great distance runner our nation has ever produced but also one of the greatest the world has ever produced.

The track world is in a fever pitch of excitement over the forthcoming visit of Haegg and can hardly restrain itself as the day of his arrival approaches rapidly. The meeting between Rice and Haegg is to be a fight between Louis and Dempsey would be to boxing. It is the greatest "natural" of recent years and will in all probability be one of the most memorable events in the long and glorious history of the track.

Of Haegg we know very little outside of the fact that he holds all those phenomenal records. No American writer or track man has ever seen him run in person, but we have seen him on the screen and in photos. You recall his lean and even skinny frame, his gaunt face and have an abnormal sized chest with lungs of equally great size.

His fame is universal and his battles with Arne Anderson, another great Swede, are now track lore.

We frankly don't know who is the better runner—Haegg or Rice. Like all other Americans we have never seen the Swedish marvel run. But we have seen the wonderful little Notre Dame Pony Express in action. In fact we have seen him in most of his major races, some 20 times, and it is hard for us to conceive of any runner being able to beat this magnificent athlete at two and three miles. Haegg has all the records in the books and his times are truly awe-inspiring. But you cannot rate runners off time clocks. Not entirely. Two men can run in separate races and set different times for distance—but there is no guarantee that when they run against each other the man who had previously set the faster time will win.

There are entirely different problems which face runners when they go against the clock and when they run against another man.

And when it comes to running against another man you will stand by Greg Rice—until we see him beaten. If you have ever seen this mighty mite whirl around a track with his barrel-chest jogging up and down in rhythm—ponents fall by the wayside exhausted and thoroughly in the last two laps for the most famous of all track's finishing sprints—you will agree that Rice, now in the Maritime Service, is the greatest of the great.

But we'll soon know. Haegg is coming over. He'll be in New York soon.

Haegg vs. Rice! And have you reserved your ticket yet?

England Base For Invasion, Says Churchill

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This is not the end. We must prepare for the time which is approaching and will surely come, when the bulk of these armies will have advanced across the sea into deadly grapple on the continent."

Churchill's speech had been looked to for definite hints as to the nature of his talks with the President but he described them only in the broadest terms.

PLAN NEXT STEPS
"We are gathered here now with the highest professional authorities in all the fighting services of the two great English-speaking nations to plan well ahead of the armies who are moving swiftly forward," he said.

In advance of the speech it was disclosed that Churchill had received a message from Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, commander in chief of Allied forces in Africa, pledging that "this army will continue to pound until Hitlerism has been exterminated from the earth." It was in reply to congratulations from the Prime Minister, on the Allied victory in Tunisia.

Churchill's broadcast was delivered from the White House in honor of the British home guard, which was formed in answer to German invasion threats that developed from the Nazis' campaign in France and the Lowlands in 1940.

Most of the speech was devoted to praise of the Home Guard's achievement, but the Prime Minister took occasion to warn his homeland that the imminence of an Allied thrust against the continent did not mean his country's guard could be dropped against the menace of an Axis counter-invasion.

"Let me assure you of this," he said, "that until Hitler and Hitlerism are beaten into unconditional surrender, the danger of invasion will never pass away."

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CONSTANT READER

Russian-American Cabby
Who Hasn't Been 'There'
Since 1920 Talks of War
By SENDER GARLIN

IT SEEMED extravagant to take a cab even on a rainy night. But on second thought it occurred to me that it might be more economical to avoid an expensive cold.

When the cabby asked "what street?" I promptly recognized an unmistakable Russian inflection.

"Speak Russian?" I asked in Pushkin's language with a pronounced Eastern seaboard accent.

"A little," he replied with a laugh, and the conversation continued in English, of course.

"Where did you learn to speak the language?" the cabby asked flatteringly, meaning, I presume, Russian.

I explained that I had spent some years in the Soviet Union as a newspaper correspondent.

The spontaneous interview was on its way. The fellow, I learned, had left Russia in 1920, the same year as Mark Aldanov, author of the Book-of-the-Month Club's anti-Soviet novel, "The Fifth Seal."

"Why did you leave?" I queried. "Didn't you like it there?"

"That's not the point," he replied. "I left and now I'm here."

It sounded curt but it really wasn't. It was simply his idea of whimsicality.

"What was your occupation in Russia?" I pursued.

"Occupation? Oh I forgot all that when I left. It's so long ago. Now I'm a taxi driver."

"Of course, I see that."

A red light at 23rd Street broke the fellow's reticence somewhat, particularly after I suggested that he seemed to be a man of education.

"Yes," he offered, "I studied in the Gymnasium (high school), then at the University of Moscow. Then I was in the World War. I was an officer in the Russian army, and after the Revolution, naturally I skipped. I decided it was the best thing to do. (He drew his forefinger across his throat.)"

"And why should that have happened to you?" I inquired.

"Simply because you were an officer in the World War? You were probably serving with the White Guards fighting the Revolution, weren't you?"

He avoided the direct question, merely repeating that he wasn't safe since he was "an officer."

I reminded him that Budyenny was also an officer in the Tsarist army, and asked him whether that wasn't so.

"Budyenny, his rank wasn't as high as mine," the cabby replied earnestly. He was only a corporal.

He shifted the discussion. "The Russian people had nothing to fight for in the last war. Most of them were, you know, serfs tied to the land. They hardly had any equipment. That's why they lost out. But it's different now."

"You're not a Communist, are you?" I said, seeking hard to instigate a tone of "accusation" in my voice.

"No, I don't believe in any kind of politics. That's a business I have no experience in. But the truth is the truth. Stalin and the other leaders over there don't send their people into battle without any equipment. But don't get the impression I'm a Bolshevik. I was on the opposite side when I was over there."

I assured him I got no such impression, but that again distressed him.

"Because I say I'm not a Bolshevik," he went on, "don't get the idea that my heart isn't with the Russian people and terrible things they're going through. I don't earn very much, but I have given a few dollars for Russian Relief, and try to help in different ways."

We reached our destination. He threw down the flag of the taxi, indicating that henceforth I was his non-paying guest.

Generally a passenger becomes relaxed when the meter stops ticking, but in this case it seemed to have affected the driver. For he continued:

"Can you imagine a Russian not being proud of his country when millions in America and other countries are so proud of what they are doing? If only our fellows (I suppose he means the American and British forces) would get over there and get into the fight in Europe. I guess that would finish off the Nazis."

I still was curious to know the details of the cabby's hurried exit from Russia in 1920. But at this point it seemed like a wholly academic question. So I paid the fare and shook his hand in a friendly goodnight.

All this, I suppose, is further illustration of Vogue's profound comment (May, 1943) that the reason the Russians are fighting so well is that they're the only ones who don't fear the spread of Communism.

Da Silva a Hero Again in March To Freedom

Your favorite stage and screen villain, Howard da Silva, played labor's favorite hero a while back. In a scene in his dressing room at the St. James Theatre where he appears as the bad guy in the Theatre Guild's hit musical, "Oklahoma," Howard da Silva recalled the days when he played labor organizer Larry Forman in the WPA Theatre production of Marc Blustein's "Cradle Will Rock." He'll be a hero again as the voice of John Conscience in the International Workers' Order dramatic, "March to Freedom" to be presented at Madison Square Garden on May 23.

Between fond father stories of 2 o'clock feeding and formula head-scratches all attached to seven heads old Pete ("after Peter the Great," he explained) Mr. da Silva expressed his belief in the vital importance of such unity demonstration as "March to Freedom." He is particularly enthusiastic about the Civil War scene in which present problems confronting the nation are seen in the light of past struggles. "It's an important subject," he said between pairs of makeup. "Full equality for the Negro people in the war effort and in the post-war world is one of the biggest issues facing us. The pageant tackles this important issue. I enjoyed reading that scene and I know I'll enjoy participating in it."

Mr. da Silva, whose expert villainy can be caught up with at any one of a dozen neighborhood movie houses in some of Hollywood's finest anti-fascist movies, doesn't mind being the bad guy in a good picture. As a medium, da Silva thinks the films are terrific. "Incidentally, many of the techniques employed in the TWO pageant derive from film technique," he said, "as well as from forms evolved by the WPA Theatre, living newspaper technique. The pageant uses a synthesis of these methods—and throws in a lot besides."

Mr. da Silva will join a huge cast of 500 dancers, singers and actors of all national groups participating in the mammoth historical drama. Based on Vice-President Wallace's speech, The Centure of the Common Man, the rally will emphasize unity of the American people for the winning of the war and the immediate opening of the second front.

The New Dance Group throws a farewell party to one of its staff members at its studio, 17 West 24th St. tonight. The evening will start with folk dancing, with other dancing to follow. Among the many who will contribute to the informal entertainment are dancers Jane Dudley and Sophie Maslow, Pearl Primus and singers Woody Guthrie, Leadbelly and Joshua White. Proceeds go to the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee to help care for the Spanish Loyalists who have just been released from internment camps in North Africa and are being brought to Mexico.

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Films at Neighborhood Theatres This Week

MADISON
Irving Place Theatre—Today thru Monday, "Three Soviet Women." Tuesday, "The Green Pastures." Wednesday, "The Green Pastures." Thursday, "The Green Pastures." Friday, "The Green Pastures." Saturday, "The Green Pastures." Sunday, "The Green Pastures."

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Three scenes from "Masquerade" which opens at the Stanley Theatre tomorrow morning. The film, made at the Leningrad Film Studios while Hitler's armies were approaching Leningrad is a screen version of the famous poetic drama by Mikhail Lermontov, one of Russia's greatest romantic poets. "Masquerade" was directed by Sergei Gerasimov. The cast includes Nikolai Mordvinov, Honored Artist of the Republic and Tamara Makarova, Stalin Award winner.

Canada Lee, star of "Native Son" in an interview with the Daily Worker said: "Mission to Moscow" is a great film. I loved it. For the first time Hollywood has come out with an adult film and has given the audience credit for having adult minds. It's a very important film. It should straighten out people on the war and what is involved. It will give Hollywood the heart to do things that are real, seeing how successful this film is. I am only hoping now for a film that says something about Negroes so the public will know what's going on and make a democracy that really works for Negroes too.

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

Evening Elementary Schools "I Am An American Day" Luncheon, aired by WNYC, 3 P.M.—Weekly Music School Audition Concerts, WNYC, 3:30 P.M.—Joint Recital, Joseph Schuster, Cellist, Nadia Reisenberg, Pianist, WABC, 5 P.M.—Josephine Levine, Piano Soloist at Victory Concert, WNYC, 5:30 P.M.—Chen Shou-yi, Chinese Scholar and others discuss China and the Post-War World on People's Platform, WABC, 6:15 P.M.—Celebration of Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the First Flight of U.S. Mail, WJZ, 7 P.M.—Boston Pops Orchestra in Second Concert, WJZ, 8:15 P.M.—Emanuel Pollack Conducts Weekly Russian Program, WHOM, 11:00 A.M. and 9:30 P.M. Constantine Bennett emcees Greek War Relief Saturday Night, Band Wagon Show, WOR, 10:15 P.M.—Jose Ferrer, Master of Ceremonies on Second of Brazilian Parades, WOR, 4:30 P.M.

11:00—WEAF—WNYC—WJZ—WABC, WHEN SHORT WAVES
Radio Center Moscow 11:11, 11:11 Mags
5:15 P.M. 5:30, 9:15, 11:15 A.M.

MORNING
5:30—WJZ—United Nations News
WNYC—West Francis Scott
5:45—WABC—Adelaide Hawley
5:50—WNYC—Masterwork Hour
WJZ—Breakfast Club
6:00—WABC—Rainbow House
WABC—Youth on Parade
WJZ—Music Masterpieces
6:10—WEAF—Nellie Reel Interviews
WJZ—Dinner Concert
WJZ—Band Stand
6:45—WNYC—Herald Plantation Girls
6:50—WJZ—Dickie Miel's Children's Hour
WJZ—Game Parade
WJZ—Composers' Corner
WJZ—The Conductor's Podium
WHOM—Russian Morning, Emanuel Pollack
11:00—WABC—Let's Pretend
11:15—WNYC—Our City's Defense
11:30—WEAF—Radio to the Coast Guard
WNYC—U.S. Army Band
WJZ—Little Blue Playhouse
WJZ—Orchestra and Home Hour
WJZ—Burtke
WJZ—The Concert Stage
WJZ—Good Health to Health
AFTERNOON
11:00—WNYC—Army-Navy House Party
WNYC—Music at Work
WABC—Theatre of Today
WJZ—Midday Music
11:15—WEAF—Dinner Time
11:30—WEAF—Mirth and Madness
WJZ—National Farm and Home Hour
WABC—Star of Hollywood
1:00—WABC—Country Journal
WNYC—Midday Symphony
1:15—WNYC—Police Dept. Safety Program
1:30—WNYC—Good Health to You
1:30—WNYC—Dance Music
WNYC—Pages of Melody
WJZ—Adventures in Science
WJZ—Saturday Concert
WEAF—War Telescope, Morgan Realty
3:00—WEAF—Ray Shields, Review
WJZ—Chamber Music
3:05—WNYC—Opera Highlights
WABC—Buffalo Serenade
3:30—WNYC—Dodgers vs. Chicago Cubs
3:30—WABC—The Spirit of Party-three
WABC—National Congress of Parents' Teacher Association
WNYC—Evening Elementary School
WNYC—"I Am An American Day" Luncheon
WNYC—Palmer House Concert
WJZ—Men of the Land, Sea and Air
WABC—Of Men and Books
WJZ—Your Request Program
WJZ—Gilbert and Sullivan
3:15—WNYC—Halo Savari
WNYC—New York Music School
WNYC—Music at Work
4:00—WEAF—Matinee in Rhythm
WNYC—Talk by Elmer Davis
WJZ—Saturday Concert
WABC—From Somewhere in Britain
WJZ—Opera Highlights
4:15—WNYC—Metropolitan Handicap from Belmont Park, Race Track
4:30—WEAF—Melody Minstrels
WNYC—Pals of the Police Athletic League
WABC—Calling Pan-America
WNYC—The Sports Extra
5:00—WEAF—Dance at War
WJZ—Saturday Afternoon Review
Horace Heidt's Orchestra
WJZ—Candidlight and Silver
WJZ—Remember This

'Prelude' Fine New War Documentary

By David Platt

PRELUDE TO WAR, War Activities Committee release of U.S. War Dept. Production. At the Strand.

The Strand Theatre is now showing the new OWI documentary "Prelude to War" which the isolationists recently charged was propaganda for a fourth time, no doubt because it explains so well why we must fight for a "mudhut" six thousand miles away. "Mission to Moscow" is also being attacked as propaganda for the New Deal and Roosevelt. The label is becoming quite a special honor, a practical test of a picture's importance.

"Prelude" is the first of a series of seven, "Why We Fight" films produced for the War Department by Lt. Col. Frank Capra (Mr. Deeds Goes to Town) of the special service division, army service forces. It is powerful plain talk about why we are at war. It takes us inside Nazi Germany, Italy and Japan and contrasts axis slavery with democratic freedom. It tells us to remember September 18, 1931, a date as important as December 7, 1941.

The Tanaka Plan Of World Conquest

On that date the war we are fighting really began. The place is Manchuria, 6,000 miles from San Francisco. It was the first objective of the notorious Tanaka Plan, Japan's "Mein Kampf" and guide to world conquest. China was next on the list to be followed by the Philippines and the United States. Listen to Yamamoto's speech delivered in January 1941 eleven months before Pearl Harbor:

"If war comes between Japan and the United States I shall not be content to occupy Guam, the Philippines, San Francisco. I look forward to dictating the peace in Washington."

"Prelude" is remarkably frank in its criticism of the democracies for their failure to unite against fascist aggression in the years between 1931 and 1941. The United States comes in for its share of criticism, "America was caught asleep as Germany, Japan and Italy built up their war machines."

Two worlds face each other, says "Prelude." A slave world and a free world. "One hundred and seventy years of freedom deserves our answer."

I have seen no recent documentary that does a better job of explaining to the army and to the civilian population why fascism must be wiped off the face of the earth.

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Art Today

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RELIGIOUS FOLK ART OF THE SOUTHWEST. Museum of Modern Art, May to June.

In these sculptures (Bultos) and paintings (Retablos) from New Mexico, there is the vitality, simplicity and intense feeling of a true folk art. The people whose anonymous artists produced these extraordinary religious images are the little known Spanish Americans, a racial minority who have lived for nearly three hundred years in the canyons and mesas of our vast Southwest. They are farmers, sheep herders and more lately miners and workers in the beet fields. Their ancestors were brought from Mexico as peons by the Spanish conquerors, who had imposed upon the conquered Indians their own culture. But as in Mexico this superimposition was only partial, the Mexican Indian took over the Catholic ritual and images but continued to find in them reflections of his own suffering—his own need for symbols to which he could go for alleviation of illness and poverty.

These Mexicans in New Mexico did the same thing. Although released from feudalism by the onrush of our native civilization a century ago, this minority has had meager land, almost no schools or medical care. Like the dispossessed whites and Negroes, they too are being forced by large financial interests to become sharecroppers and itinerant laborers. A few years ago thousands of families were threatened with eviction for non-payment of taxes from the few acres upon which they had lived for the past two hundred years. Only mass protests by their Liga Obrera halted the evictions. The R. F. C. now holds title to their lands.

Here we have again an underprivileged national group making a vital contribution to our culture. For in every people's art we touch the deepest sources of all art, the clear expression of profound emotional needs and aspirations of the common man. And in the greater democracy which must be the fruit of the war we wage for the liberation of the common man everywhere, our Spanish American brothers must share and play their part. When that happens the creative intensity which is evidenced in these figures and paintings will surely take a new and even richer form.

A superb group of photographs by Paul Strand demonstrates a sympathetic understanding and complete technical mastery of his medium, the camera.

THE ART COUNCIL

Three Soviet Women

The Irving Place Theatre, continuing their film festival shows today through Monday, "Three Soviet Women" with Zoya Fedorova (Girl from Leningrad fame) plus "Carnival in Flanders." Coming Tuesday and Wednesday, "Baltic Deputy" and "The Mayor's Dilemma."

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Party Education

THE DAILY WORKER AND NEW MEMBERS' EDUCATION

The importance of the consistent reading of the Daily Worker by both old and new members of our Party has been raised constantly. It is clear that the reading of our press cannot but strengthen every reader, ideologically and politically, cannot but help give him that information and those directives which, when understood and applied, will make him a leader among his fellow-workers in his shop, in his union, in his community club and in his mass organization. The question we should like to raise now is how to use the Daily Worker, particularly for those thousands of new members who by entering our Party have taken an important step in their lives and who, in turn, have so much to offer our Party from their own experiences.

What are the questions a new member asks when he joins the Communist Party? He wants to know something of the history of the Party, how the Party works, what does the Party say about religion, is the Party democratic, what is socialism, how does socialism work in the Soviet Union, is there democracy in the Soviet Union, what do we mean when we say that the Communist Party is the vanguard of the working class? He asks other questions; questions about the war, about trade unions, about the relation between the Party and other organizations. We could enumerate many questions, healthy, eager questions raised by new members, but the basic ones can be organized under these main headings:

1. The problems of the war.
2. Socialism and the Soviet Union.
3. The Communist Party of the United States.

Accepting these main topics as a basic curriculum for new members' education—whether this education be carried on in formal classes, in informal conferences, in small study groups, or even in discussions with individuals, we turn to the Daily Worker and find at hand answers to our questions, and material that stimulates interest in reading further into the writings of Lenin and Stalin, Browder, Foster, Ford and others of our leaders.

Let us take the topic, "Problems of the War." Specifically, how can the Daily help? An editorial in the issue of Thursday, May 6, 1943, says, in part:

"... A nation fighting Hitlerism in a war for its life is like a city besieged. Any strike, for any cause whatsoever, helps the enemy outside the gates and threatens the ruin of all, labor and its rights included."

An editorial in the issue of Friday, May 7, 1943, states:

"... The workers fought bitterly for their unions and for their rights. They are against strikes in this war because they are most conscious of the nation's interests. But they certainly do not intend to permit anti-labor and defeatist forces to take their rights away."

These two quotations, indeed the complete editorials, can serve as a basis for discussion on the war. Why are workers against strikes in this war? What do we mean when we say that they are most conscious of the nation's interests? What do we mean by "a war for survival of our nation"? Who are the anti-labor and defeatist forces?

Analyzing one selected editorial carefully, discussing its meaning, studying carefully the directives for action, can serve as enough material for at least one lively discussion, if not more. Additional reading can be recommended for further deepening the understanding of the students. For instance, the nature of fascism can be studied in Kuczynski's, "300,000,000 Slaves and Serfs," in "The Economics of Barbarism," by Kuczynski and Witt. Selections from "Victory—And After," from Comrade Browder's recent writings and speeches, from Stalin's pamphlet, "The War for National Liberation," should be recommended, too.

For the second topic, Socialism and the Soviet Union, one could take the two articles by Comrade Amter in the same editions (May 7 and May 8), which deal with the questions of the church and religion in the Soviet Union. Why does the Orthodox church support the anti-Nazi war? What is the position of the church in the Soviet Union? From here it would be natural to turn to the question of democracy under socialism (of which the right to worship as one pleases is part), the economic basis for this democracy, the foreign policy of the Soviet Union (and the editorial, "Stalin and Poland" in May 7th's paper with the additional use of the second page on foreign news is invaluable). This discussion would naturally be tied up with the first when the nature of the war was discussed, for it would be clear that those forces which attack the Soviet Union are precisely the defeatist forces which are attempting to hamstring the carrying out of the correct policies of the President in the winning of the war. The role of a Bulletin, a Dubinsky, a Reuther, a Lewis and a Norman Thomas would be seen clearly.

What can one say about the third main topic, "The Communist Party of the United States"? Our press is the best answer to the history and role of our Party in relation to the struggles of the American people in the past and at present. An article on Alter-Ehrlich shows the role of Social-Democracy. Articles on recruiting show the war necessity of building the Party. Articles on trade unionism reflect the past struggles for industrial unionism. Material on nurseries and child-care are a continuation of the earlier struggle for social insurance. Articles against Jim-Crowism, and for the full integration of the Negro people into every aspect of American life, reflect the policy of the Party for the winning of the war, and can be linked with the question of racial superiority and of how the Party arrived at the correct understanding of the Negro question.

Every day there is material which can be used for discussion and for action. Councilman Cacchione's column in the Daily Worker shows the alertness of a Communist public official on public questions concerned with urgent questions of the war. There is a constant flow of articles on incentive wages, on the miners' strike, on planning for war economy. We need only mention the exceptional contributions made by Comrade Browder in his speech in St. Louis on the miners' strike. All these are examples that show how the articles and editorials of the Daily Worker bring out the role of the Party as the vanguard of the working class and as the mobilizer of the people for the winning of the war.

It is recommended that those who teach new members get into the habit of clipping material to be used in their classes. Thus we encourage by precept the reading of the Daily Worker for every Party member. Naturally, there is no hidebound rule as to what constitutes a curriculum for new members. Each group has different problems, and each teacher has his own way of approaching problems. There is no doubt, however, that in every instance the use of the Daily Worker is a powerful weapon in the steady process of educating our Party members, showing them how to mobilize the people for the policies of the Party and further integrating them as permanent members of our Party.

Squeeze Play

By Milton Howard

The POLITICAL SCENE

POLITICAL class alliances are bound to affect economic relationships between classes. Thus, in a political alliance of national unity of classes against the Axis, the forms in which the working class and the capitalist class settle economic issues arising out of war production must be resolved in new ways.

To fail to realize, or to fail to support, the need for new forms of economic relationships in a period of national war is to deny that the war is a national, just war.

To deny that the war is a national, just war is to work against mass support for the war.

And to do that is to work for the defeat of the country and the victory of the Axis. To cling to economic forms which have been made obsolete by the political situation is to head for both economic and political disaster.

THE working class of the United States is being bombarded with propaganda which feverishly urges it to be "militant." John L. Lewis is painted as being "militant" because he calls into question the no-strike pledge of the labor movement. Norman Thomas' Socialist Call reports with delight that a recent meeting of the auto union locals in Michigan applauded a certain Mr. Art Case of the Bulk Local who cried out in favor of strikes—"even if they stay out of the mines till hell freezes over."

The same issue of the paper blackbills the auto union leaders with the threat that the applause for such speeches "is a warning to the leadership of the auto union and the CIO that unless it really starts fighting for the workers, the workers will find new leaders who will fight." Meaning John L. Lewis.

But the labor movement is already fighting. It is fighting for the destruction of Hitler and the Axis.

What is this new "fight" to which the "Socialists" summon the working class of America in the name of "militancy" and under the leadership of Lewis?

Is it a fight against Hitler? On the contrary, Norman Thomas rebuked the Detroit labor movement for "exalting victory too much." Also, Norman Thomas warns that a Hitler defeat in Europe will be a "Stalin victory," a view which is identical with that of Nazi Germany's leaders. What then is this "fight" which labor is supposed to start now?

It is nothing more nor less than a fight against the Government and its policy of waging war for the unconditional surrender of the Axis.

The new conception of "militancy" which the pro-Lewis forces

are trying to impose on the working class is a thinly-disguised version of treason. It is only a new form of the propaganda for the betrayal of a nation's anti-Fascist war from within. In fact, it is the adaptation to the United States of the Fifth Column operations of the notorious POUM which betrayed Madrid to France by starting "socialist" uprisings inside a beleaguered city in which all classes were united against the common fascist foe, France.

The central goal of the Fifth Column in all countries is to shatter the unity of the classes on which the national defense depends. The capitalist class is broken away from this national unity by wild warnings of "Communism." The working class is broken away from this unity by wild, irresponsible appeals to its "militancy" which is supposed to express itself in forgetting the main enemy, Hitler.

It is this pattern of Fifth Column operations, or its influence, in the United States which explains why it is that Earl Browder cannot get any space in the press for his appeal to the American working class not to strike, but to solve their pressing economic problems in a new way, in a national unity way (by collaboration with the Government and mass political pressure against the reactionaries in Congress).

It is significant that Lewis, the violent proponent of strikes in America is welcomed by the press in front page reports, while one of the leading fighters for the no-strike policy cannot get the press' attention. This can only mean that the press, whether it is defeatist, appeaser, or whether it permits class prejudices to supersede the war's necessities, prefers that the Lewis pretense of "militancy" and strikes shall prevail over the no-strike views of responsible working-class leadership.

THE press, is only too willing to let the workers believe that "militancy" is expressed by uprisings against national unity and against war production.

This tactic is not new in the history of working class politics. Very often in the history of the working class, its enemies have sought to inject this fake "militancy" into its ranks to confuse its councils and bewilder its outlook. Reaction always sends pseudo-"militant" agents into the ranks of labor when it wants labor to follow a policy of class collisions, regardless of time or place.

Workers in the trade unions are familiar with this tactic of the early-recognized stoopidism who

will act "militant" to provide the enemies of labor with provocations and opportunities for attack.

But true labor militancy is based not on irresponsible eruptions; it is based on sober class calculations, on estimates of the political relations of classes, which at this moment are the relations of unity for the defeat of Hitlerism.

True working class militancy, requiring courage, discipline, keenness, and maturity of understanding, expresses itself in a remorseless struggle today against the treacherous "militancy" of strikes against the anti-Hitler war effort.

Militancy is leadership, policy, guidance. It is never sheer outbursts of rage, or the impulsive incitements to disruption of war production waged by the Norman Thomas-Lewis type.

Every thinking American has to be on guard against the indoctrination which the press is attempting to put over, that Lewis is "militant." His is the "militancy" of the saboteur who brings wreck-age instead of solution of labor's war problems.

Reaction would love labor to be "militant" against Roosevelt so that it could become passive toward Hitler.

WHAT we are now witnessing is a kind of "squeeze play" in which the upper class is deluged with warnings of the "menace of Communism" which lurks in an anti-Nazi victory, while the working class is urged to become "militant" against itself and its own war.

The "Socialist" propaganda which whines that the nation's warfare against Hitler makes the nation fascist (attacks on Roosevelt's "totalitarianism") also tells the working class that its real task is to unleash class warfare against national unity. War against Hitler is subordinated to war against the country's Commander-in-Chief.

It is against this corrupting treachery of disruptive, fake anti-working class "militancy" that Earl Browder is waging a staunch battle up and down the country. He brings the mature Marxist vision: the policy of no-strike in this war is not a "deal" with the other classes. It is a policy demanded and fought for by the working class, which imposes this policy on itself and enforces it despite all provocations.

This true working class policy, which best defends the immediate as well as ultimate interests of labor, is the crushing answer to the Fifth Column "squeeze play" which menaces the nation's war unity at this moment in the form of the Lewis-Wool-Norman Thomas conspiracy.

Letters from Our Readers

A Generous Offer

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:
I read Alex Andrews' little piece in the May 10th issue of the Daily Worker entitled: "Beneath the Brooklyn Bridge."

He mentions an elderly anti-fascist Spaniard and his wife living there in extreme poverty who has "a gap in his mouth" where teeth once were.

Will you please get word to Alex Andrews if he can reach them again to ask this man if he wouldn't mind my making him some teeth gratis. I would like to do it without hurting his pride.

Hoping you will be able to help me,
SURGEON DENTIST

Spanking Spangler

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:
Mr. Spangler, the chief of the Republican Party, National Committee has just had the impudence to state that Roosevelt's three terms

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constitute a "reign," not an administration.

He says if President Roosevelt runs again, America will face a monarchy. Does Mr. Spangler think that the American people are so stupid as not to recall that it is they who elected President Roosevelt every time? When the people elect a representative three times, is that undemocratic or democratic?

Mr. Spangler in attacking President Roosevelt's "reign" is really attacking the American people for electing a president that Mr. Spangler doesn't like.
J. M.

Still Lindbergh's Friend

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:
I went to the movies the other night and heard some America First Propaganda dished out by the newsreel commentator, Fulton Lewis, Jr.

He was talking about the meat price difficulties and hinted that the trouble lies with the government. But he completely omitted to say that the big cattle owners are blackmailing the government and the country for higher prices by refusing to sell millions of cattle which they already have on their ranches.

If this is not sabotage of the war effort, what is? I understand that Fulton Lewis is an old friend of Lindbergh's. He sure sounds like he still is a very good friend of his. I suggest that people who see this newsreel protest to the theatre manager and to the company that puts it out.
EDNA W.

How to Beat Ruml

THE tax situation is getting ugly.

The Ruml forces, headed by the Republican party leaders who hate the Administration, are hammering for the passage of their seven billion dollar steal.

At the same time, the Government, repeating its demand for another 16 billion dollars necessary for the war effort, is not putting up a sufficiently tough fight against the Ruml grab.

Senator George, reactionary Democrat, has offered a new version of the Ruml grab in which 75 per cent of the money owed by the rich will be cancelled, and, at the same time, the Government will be forbidden to raise income taxes on upper incomes for the next two years. This plan, backed by the National Association of Manufacturers, will tie the hands of the Government's war effort.

The sheer arithmetic of this plan is obvious. If the Government is going to be robbed of 5-7 billion dollars in upper bracket taxes, and if the Government will not be

allowed to increase incomes taxes on the rich then the only place that the necessary new billions can come from is from the lowest paid income groups in the country!

This is exactly what is behind the Ruml plan grab. It turns out to be not only a scheme to rob the Government's war effort of billions of dollars; it is also a scheme to rob the food money of the common people.

No wonder it is being rushed through with such zeal by the defeatists and profit-grabbers.

Yet the Ruml boys are not as strong as they pretend.

A tough fight could defeat them. The Administration has made the mistake of not fighting hard for its original program of increasing upper bracket income taxes. Labor, which helped block the Ruml scheme in the beginning, is sort of standing aside now. This should be changed before the Ruml boys load a new enormous tax load on the common people while robbing the war effort of the billions they still owe.

Social-Democrats as a menace that must be smashed if all our strength is to be thrown effectively against the Axis.

Italian Policy

TO FORCE Italy out of the war would be to strike a heavy blow at Hitler and the Axis. With the conclusive defeat of the Axis troops in North Africa, following so close upon the annihilation of the Italian Army on the Eastern Front, this becomes an immediate possibility. It would be a serious mistake, however, to believe that Italy will come to a separate peace merely because of the threat of invasion and through negotiations carried out with narrow circles at the top, whether military or political. Something more fundamental and drastic is needed.

Italy can be forced out of the war principally by the interaction of two main forces. One is the immediate follow through of the North African victory by the invasion of continental Europe, including military blows aimed at Italy. The other is the encouragement of the anti-war and anti-Axis national front within Italy which seeks to draw Italy out of the war by overthrowing the Mussolini fascist regime.

The turn in the war and the defeats suffered by Italy have hastened the isolation of the Mussolini regime not only from the people but also from growing top circles among the armed forces, the Catholics, monarchist circles, industrialists, intellectuals and even among certain fascist circles. At the intensity of the bombing raids over Sicily, Sardinia, southern Italy and northern industrial centers increases, and as actual invasion of Italian soil becomes imminent these circles move in the direction of breaking with Germany in order to avoid complete catastrophe for their country. But these circles will not move of themselves. They will begin to act only under the influence of the broad national mass movement, of the actions of the anti-fascist people's forces directed towards smashing the Mussolini regime and his war machine.

That is why the efforts of certain forces in this country to seek a Darlan-type deal with certain top circles of the fascist regime, as an alternative to military action and support to the popular anti-fascist forces, are harmful and dangerous to the successful extension of the offensive, including the immediate defeat of Italy. For such efforts have the effect of discouraging and confusing the national front and peace forces within Italy, and tend to delay the military offensive. Our policy must be directed towards aiding and strengthening the national front movement within Italy which seeks to overthrow the fascist regime and the plutocratic circles responsible for submission to Hitler, while at the same time speeding up our military action.

The labor and people's forces in our country should cooperate with all the Italian-Americans supporting the American war effort and encouraging the national front in Italy. The efforts of such leaders as Luigi Antonini to disrupt the growing unity of the Italo-Americans, especially in the labor movement, by their red-baiting attacks and anti-Soviet incitements above all harm the movement for liberation within Italy and hamper proper relations between our government and the Italian people.

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The Giveaway

THE conspiracy against the labor policy of President Roosevelt and the win-the-war program of President Philip Murray of the CIO, is coming more and more out in the open. A headline across the front page of the current issue of the Social-Democratic organ, the "New Leader," is a clear giveaway. It says: "Carey, Reuther Lead Union Drive for New Roosevelt Labor Policy." This headline, and the story under it, throw light on the combination of forces in the CIO that have set out to wreck its unity with the government for victory.

Under the guise of a drive for a "new" labor policy, they are directing their efforts to undermine the leadership of Philip Murray.

Significantly, those lining up against Murray, are exactly the same people who in recent weeks have been implicated in attacks upon the Soviet Union on the Alter-Ehrlich issue.

It is, therefore, not an accident that Emil Rieve, president of the Textile Workers Union and an associate in this group, turned the platform of his convention into a base for the first open attacks upon President Philip Murray in the current drive.

A very important and forceful speech in condemnation of Lewis and support of the policies of President Roosevelt and CIO President Murray was made at the textile convention by Sidney Hillman. Another important speech along similar lines was made by Van A. Bittner, assistant president of the United Steelworkers of America. But the convention, under the leadership of Rieve steered a course in line with what the "New Leader" heralds as the Carey-Reuther drive for a "new" labor policy.

Formally the Reuthers, Rieves and Careys say they oppose Lewis. Actually they pave the ground for him and voice approval of his attacks upon the War Labor Board and the President, and ridicule the proposed roll-back in prices.

Formally, some of them say they are with Murray. Actually, they have released a campaign to destroy the leadership of this outstanding pro-war labor leader in the country today.

The attacks of these forces upon Murray as upon the President are disguised. One way is to label the President's, and in this case Murray's, policies, as "communist" and attack them on that ground. Another way is to aim the poison darts at the colleagues of the President, or as in this case, Murray's closest co-workers. Still another is to attack on "inefficiency" grounds.

James Carey employed in his speech before the textile convention the "constructive criticism" style. He declared that a "damn poor job was done" and he lists almost every field. The only logical conclusion from such "criticism" is that the Roosevelt administration ought to be removed.

Reuther who, it will be recalled, was once all-out for airplane production, now shouts speed-up and opposition to incentive pay. He is now listed in the "New Leader" lineup as against the heads of the United Automobile Workers who are in accord with Murray.

A development that is bound to draw ever greater attention in labor ranks is the new role of the Social-Democrats. Their anti-Soviet position has brought them to a headlong clash with America's interest—its aim for victory. Their years of experience in the technique of red-baiting is now being brought forward to steer dissatisfaction and confusion along a very dangerous path. It is the path that leads directly into the camp of defeatism.

American workers must recognize the activities of the Lewises, Reuthers, and the